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## Representative hopefuls tackle issues

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Two weeks before the Nov. 5 general election, candidates for state representative met at the Nodaway County Courthouse to participate in a candidates' forum Tuesday night.

Democratic Candidate Larry Dougan emphasized his real life experience working in Nodaway County government.

"I served you for over 12 years and I would like to serve another two years to represent you for the state of Missouri, not the state of Missouri up here," Dougan said. "When I go to Jefferson City, I don't care if you're a Democrat or Republican, I don't care where you live, rural or urban, I want to represent you."

Republican Candidate Brad Lager stressed that despite only five years of experience in business, his real qualifications lie in his ability to be a leader and fight for the people of northwest Missouri.

"I believe whether government or free enterprise, leaders step up," Lager said. "Leaders understand; here's the problem,

here's what we have to do to fix it before we get in the trench and do it."

Lager sees opportunity presented by the implementation of term limits which will force more than half the elected officials in Jefferson City out of office.

"If we're ever going to make change with the way our state government works, it's going to start this year," he said.

Both candidates agreed the Missouri Department of Transportation needs changed.

Dougan said more than one-half of state roads are in bad shape or need repair. To address the problems in MoDOT, Dougan said he would like to have a representative from each of the 10 highway districts on the highway commission.

Lager also noted the inefficiencies of the department. He said Missouri has more than 16,000 vehicles, 4,800 of which are driven less than 5,000 miles a year.

In order to address that concern Lager has a plan to restructure the highway commission and make it more account-

able for the money it spends. Until then, Lager does not support any increases in funding to repair the roads.

Dougan however said he would be willing to support toll roads for a limited time and does not have a problem with imposing a fuel tax to generate more money for road construction.

Another area of concern for Lager lies in funding for public education.

He plans to use a classroom trust fund to distribute gambling revenues directly to the classroom on a per pupil basis. Lager said the money would be given to local school boards to decide where the money is needed and determine how to spend it.

Plans for economic development in northwest Missouri were also discussed.

Dougan said he would like to improve the quality of living and provide adequate housing in order to attract people working at factories who commute from neighboring towns.

Lager agreed economic development is needed but suggested focusing efforts

at the state capitol to work in cooperation with elected officials.

"I believe we need an aggressive effort in Jefferson City, by an individual, whether it's a lobbyist or an individual working for northwest Missouri," Lager said. "Things happen at the capitol. When a company talks about expanding or coming to Missouri, those types of things often happen in Jeff City first."

In a year of revenue shortfalls, cutting spending was also a concern discussed by each candidate.

Lager said a lot could be done to trim the \$19 billion budget which has grown by about \$10 billion in the last decade.

"We have to skim out the bureaucracy in the center," Lager said. "That way we can push the money on down through to the people."

Trimming the budget is part of Lager's philosophy that bigger is not necessarily better.

"I believe in better government, not bigger government," Lager said. "I believe in government that's responsible, accountable to the people and most impor-

tantly, uses common sense. I want to go to Jeff City and represent you and your conservative, common sense values."

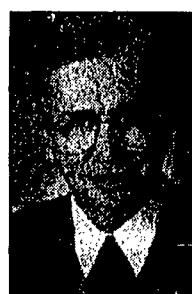
Dougan agreed some cuts could be made but would also like to revisit the Hancock Amendment which allows only a small percentage of revenue to balance the budget before returning it to the taxpayers.

Dougan took an opportunity to clarify issues surrounding the legality of a midterm salary increase he received as associate commissioner based on a 1997 statute.

Despite voting against the pay raise, Dougan was outnumbered. After the Missouri State Supreme Court ruled the statute unconstitutional, Dougan voluntarily turned the money over to Nodaway County.

"It is now and has always been my intention to do the right thing," Dougan said. "I think it is obvious because money has been going into the account I set up since we heard about the case."

Watch next week for more information about local candidates and issues for the Nov. 5 general election. Also check out [missourianonline.com](http://missourianonline.com) for more about Tuesday's forum.



LARRY DOUGAN  
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE



BRAD LAGER  
REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE

## Local agencies unite for drug task force

By ABBY SIMONS  
COMMUNITY NEWS EDITOR

Lauded by federal, state and local law enforcement officials, northwest Missouri's newest task force has begun efforts to decrease drugs and violent crime in the region.

Dubbed NITRO, the Northwest Missouri Interagency-Team Response-Operation includes a 16-county area of northwest Missouri, uniting law enforcement officials from various government levels and jurisdictions to aggressively investigate and prosecute narcotics trafficking, illegal gun activity and violent crime in the area. NITRO will be staffed initially by full-time officers from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, the Missouri State Highway Patrol and the Cameron Police Department, as well as Maryville Public Safety, who has assigned a full-time officer to NITRO. The Kansas City Division of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms will also provide vehicles, equipment and training to participating officers.

Nodaway County Prosecutor David Baird said the teaming of agencies from various levels and areas will bear a positive impact in investigating cases that may travel far from their jurisdictions.

"I've been prosecutor long enough that I've seen other drug task forces come and go, the big thing that this one will do is, quite simply, it brings together every level of prosecution and law enforcement chain," Baird said. "One of the things you have to deal with in a drug and weapons case that you don't deal with in other cases is geographic limitations.

In drug trafficking and weapons situations, you're usually dealing with a multitude of governmental areas. This gives us the opportunity to follow and track this sort of criminal activity no matter where it ends up."

Nodaway County Sheriff Ben Espey said while other task forces formed in northwest Missouri have not survived due to understaffing or lack of funding, federal and state involvement with NITRO will aid the task force in remaining functional to deter crime.

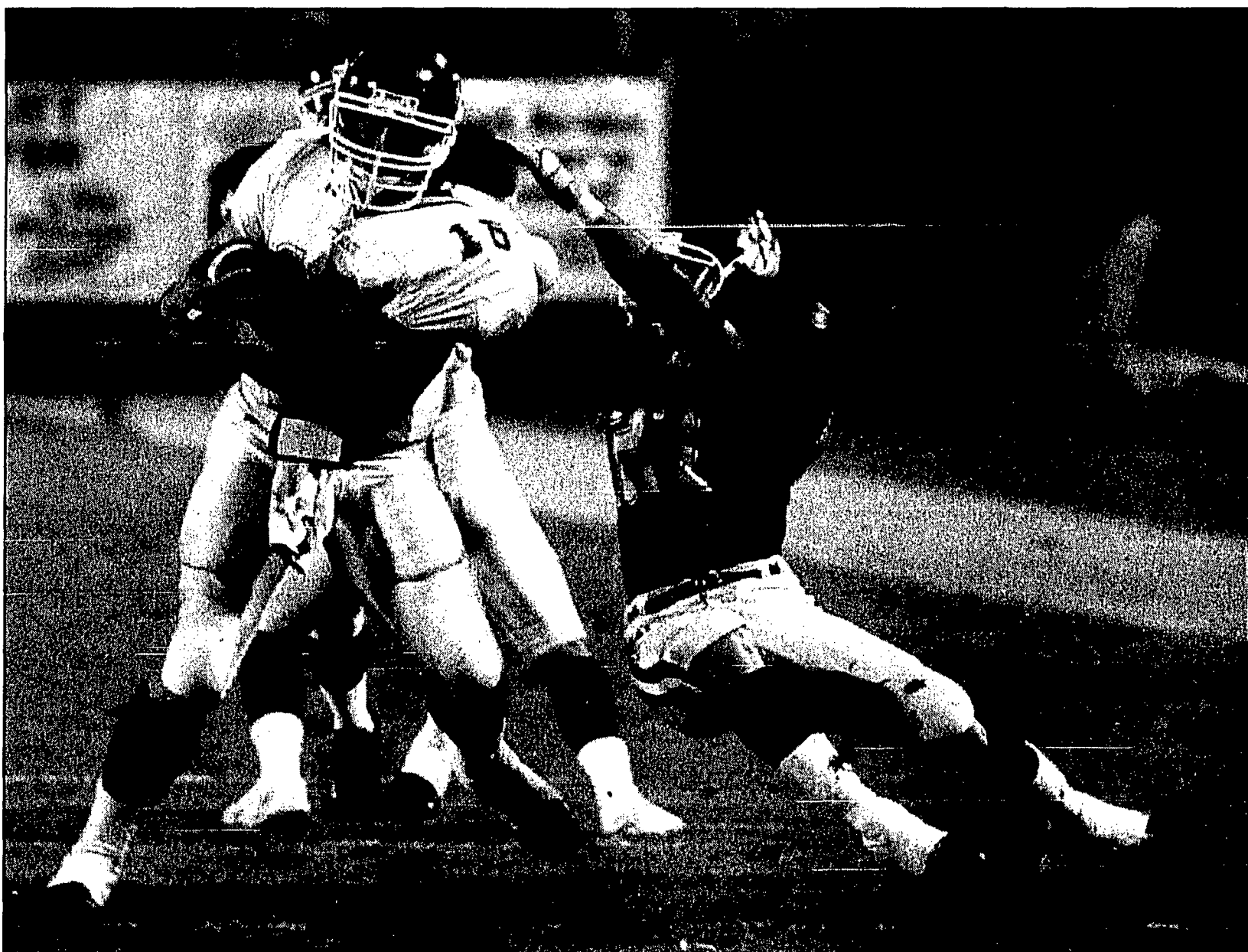
Espey said the majority of NITRO's effectiveness will be the task force's ability to deter drugs and violent crime at their sources.

"(The task force) is going to work on the high profile cases," he said. "They're not going to go out and get the dealer on the street, they're trying to get the one that's doing the cooking, the selling and making the big bucks, and have the firearms involved. That's a lot of what ATF is. The big players, the ones that we have had trouble getting, those are the ones (NITRO) is going to try to focus on."

Keith Wood, director of Public Safety, said that since its Oct. 1 implementation, NITRO began investigations in a number of cases, proving its effectiveness early on.

"I think (NITRO) is going to be effective in the entire region," Wood said. "A collaborative effort of federal, state and local law enforcement is unprecedented for this area, and that's the combination of players it's going to take to be effective in the fight against narcotics."

## Bearcats take home victory



Senior free safety Ryan Miller drags down Pittsburg State quarterback Neal Philpot during Thursday night's 29-7 victory. The win boosted the 'Cats' national

ranking to No. 4 and was Northwest's biggest margin of victory ever over Pitt State. For a complete recap of the Arrowhead experience turn to Section C.

## Hoobastank rocks their way to Maryville

By ABBY SIMONS  
COMMUNITY NEWS EDITOR

Through the magic of guitars that spoke for themselves, acrobatic lead vocalists and makeshift onstage strip-teases, rock returned to Northwest in all its dysfunctional glory.

Entertaining a filled-to-capacity crowd of fully energized Northwest students and fans of all ages, headlining rockers and Agoura Hills, Calif., natives, Hoobastank performed in the Mary Linn Auditorium at the Performing Arts Center Monday in a concert sponsored by Spotlight. The band, joined by opening acts, Greenwheel of St. Louis and Swedish band Blindside, performed hits from their self-titled platinum-selling CD, including "Crawling in the Dark" and "Running Away."

Due to Hoobastank's high visibility in recent months, an air of excitement was easily detected among concert goers, many of whom purchased

their tickets months in advance and lined up outside the doors of Mary Linn well over an hour before the first opening act hit the stage in anticipation of the show.

"This is me and my girlfriend's second time seeing Hoobastank," said Jared Hoffmann, a student at Missouri Western State College. "I think they're a really talented band, they have some good songs written."

The band did impress. Revving up the crowd with Hoobastank's emotional sound, lead singer Doug Robb also interacted with screaming front row fans, despite assigned seating and a 10-foot gap between the stage and seats in the auditorium. The band also provided comic relief when, in celebration of their last day of the tour,

stagehands and members of Blindside joined the band onstage. Once onstage, the pranksters prematurely pulled the stage curtain over drummer Chris Hesse, aided guitarists Dan Estrin and Markku Lappalainen in playing their instruments, and danced semi-nude in hopes of distracting Robb as he sang. Robb kept his composure throughout the show, citing the crowd as his only distraction.

"You guys just make me so hot; I'm sorry," he told the crowd after pausing for a drink of water.

Not left solely to impress the crowd, Robb expressed his awe with Hoobastank's Maryville fan base, as well as northwest Missouri, a region he called "beautiful."

"I thought this crowd was very

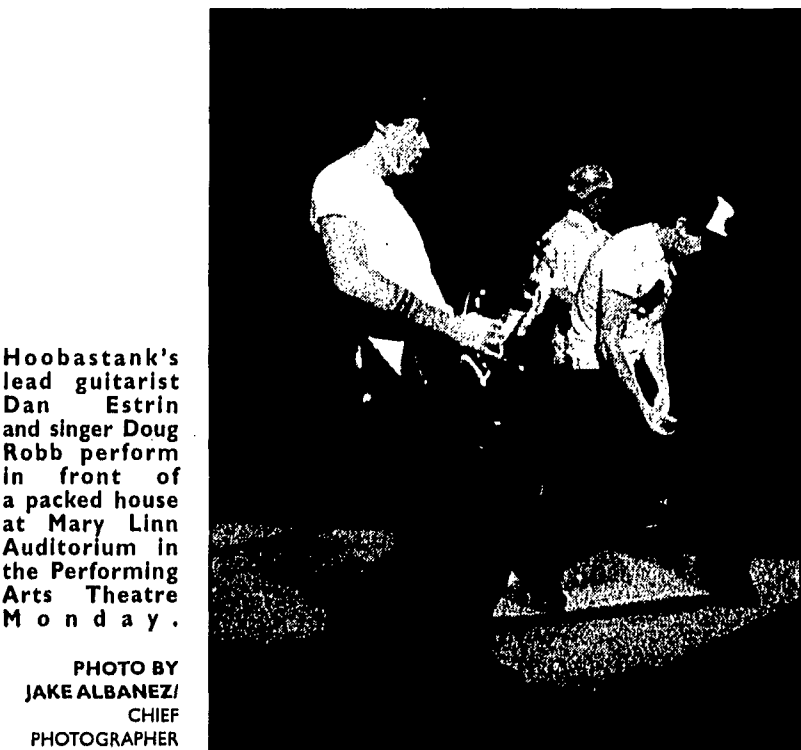
enthusiastic," Robb said. "They were very loud and caused a ruckus, and I can't wait to come back."

After the show, fans shared mutual admiration for Hoobastank, as well as Greenwheel and Blindside, for bringing, above all, a sorely needed fresh sound to Maryville.

Bonnie Bisbee, freshman art major, agreed, saying that Hoobastank's visit to Maryville served not only as a source of entertainment, but most importantly, as the sound of revolution for the culture of music in a small town.

"I think it's really awesome that Hoobastank's such a big band and they're coming to our little town," Bisbee said. "If we can get more big bands like this, then it just makes the school life here a lot more exciting for kind of a small town."

For an exclusive video interview with Hoobastank drummer Chris Hesse, check out [Missourianonline.com](http://Missourianonline.com).



Hoobastank's lead guitarist Dan Estrin and singer Doug Robb perform in front of a packed house at Mary Linn Auditorium in the Performing Arts Theatre Monday.

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Strategic Planning Council held its fall meeting Saturday and Alliance of Black Collegians sponsored its annual Black and Gold Pageant. Read more at [missourianonline.com](http://missourianonline.com)



This week Julian Kussman follows up on making out with your brother, eggs and chickens, and eating meat. Send your questions to Ask Julian.

The BUZZ

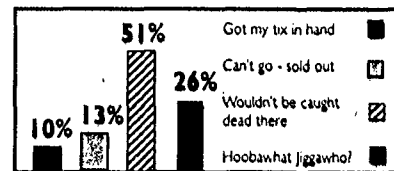
Your Online Entertainment Section

Check out a review of the highly anticipated "Jackass: The Movie" Friday.



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Last week's poll: How ready are you for the Hoobastank concert?



This week's poll: What band would you like to see come to campus?

## Chemistry club test experiments

By SARAH DITTMANN  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Horace Mann students started off the day with a bang—or at least a pop and a bubble—Tuesday as the Northwest chapter of Student Affiliates of the American Chemical Society put on its annual chemistry fair.

SAACS played host to an exhibition of different chemistry experiments to celebrate National Chemistry Week, which began Monday and ends Friday.

Kathryn Watkins, a SAACS member who had a booth about the cohesiveness of water, acknowledged the importance of events like the fair to young students.

"You want to get them interested in science," she said. "Maybe they'll want to do something like this someday too."

Watkins also noted the fair is not all about practical applications, but about entertainment too.

"It's fun for them," she said. "They enjoy getting out of class a little bit and coming up and seeing different things."

The fourth-, fifth- and sixth-graders got their fair share of entertainment whether it was from the mix of stand-up comedy and reaching at the penny-cleaning booth, learning how to make rockets from Alka-Seltzer tablets and film canisters or from making silly

putty out of borax washing soda, Elmer's glue and water.

Kendra Hines, another SAACS member who was in charge of the silly putty booth, decided to participate in the fair because she said she believes that showing the fun side of chemistry is the best way to reach young students.

"I saw the impact that (the fair) made on all of the kids (last year)," she said. "If the only exposure to science they get is in the classroom where they get graded, then I don't think they can appreciate it. Science is not boring. There's more to it than what you learn in class."

Taylor Deen, a fourth-grader at Horace Mann, agreed.

"(I liked the fair) better because in science we don't usually do experiments," he said.

Sally Wermelskirchen, an early childhood teacher who was substituting for a fourth-grade teacher the day of the fair, said the fair gives students an opportunity they cannot always get in class.

"(The fair) is much more valuable," she said. "We try to do this in the classrooms, but sometimes with so many it's impossible."

Wermelskirchen also speculated that many students would go home and try the experiments on their own.

"To create an interest in the way chemicals and whatever work, I think it's great because it stimulates



PHOTO BY JAKE ALBANEZ/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER  
Northwest's chapter of Student Affiliates of the American Chemical Society sponsored its annual chemistry fair at Horace Mann for the fourth-, fifth- and sixth-graders Tuesday morning. The goal was to get students interested in chemistry.

and motivates them during class and to discover on their own," she said. "I think they will extend these activities."

Brandon Thomas, a fifth-grade student, put it perhaps most succinctly: "It was good," he said. "Cool experiments."

## Northwest unites to mourn loss of fellow student

By KARA SWINK  
UNIVERSITY NEWS EDITOR

Tears stained the cheeks of students and faculty members as the Bell of '48 rang 19 times in memory of 19-year-old Robert M. Hatcher.

Hatcher was born Sept. 15, 1982 to Keith and Sheila Hatcher in Des Moines, Iowa. He died May 21 after a blood clot erupted in his leg at his home in Blue Springs.

When the incident occurred, Hatcher was conscious and talking when he was loaded into the ambulance, but moments later he ceased breathing and died on the way to the hospital.

Hatcher was a freshman at Northwest majoring in computer science with interests in digital information media.

The memorial service began with the ABC Gospel Choir singing "Lord I Love You" as the Hatcher family took their

seats around the bell.

Student Senate President Kara Karsen began the ceremony by welcoming those in attendance and thanking them for coming to remember Hatcher and his family.

"When a member of our family is hurting all of us hurt as well," Karsen said. "Today we came to gather and show our support and our love for the Hatcher family who lost their beloved son,

nephew and brother. We are here to surround them with the love we have for their son and his memory for his time on this Earth, and his time with us at Northwest."

University President Dean Hubbard said funerals are a way to close things for a family but for a campus community, memorials are a way to show closure for a student's time on campus.

## Alcohol Awareness Week provides students information, activities

By PETE GUTSCHENRITTER  
CHIEF REPORTER

Northwest students were able to participate in non-alcohol related activities, compliments of the Chemical Abuse Resource and Education organization, for Alcohol Awareness Week Oct. 21-25.

CARE is a student-run group and works to eliminate driving under the influence in different capacities.

This week, the organization played host to the second annual Designated Driver-500 at the Bell Tower. Students had the opportunity to drive a University golf cart through an obstacle course while wearing goggles that impair driving. They will be playing host to an Xbox tournament at 7 p.m.

tonight in the Student Union.

CARE representative Valarie Lemke said they sponsor such activities for several reasons.

"Our main goal is to have activities without alcohol," Lemke said. "It's been growing the last few years and we're all aware of what happened a couple of weeks ago."

A student was admitted to the hospital with alcohol poisoning about two weeks ago. Lemke said irresponsible drinking needs to stop.

"I think drinking has always been an issue but I think people need to come to us if they have a problem," Lemke said. "I hope they realize that we care about them and that they will be able to make good decisions."

Carol Cowles, assistant vice president for student affairs, said the University looks at alcohol prevention methods in three different ways.

The normative, harm reduction and alcohol-free alternative methods are all ways the University uses. The normative way is when the University decides what makes the student want to drink at excessive amounts. The harm reduction method looks at recognizing signs of alcohol poisoning and the alcohol-free alternative method focuses on things that are fun and do not involve alcohol.

Cowles said the DD-500 benefits students and she is hopeful students will learn something from it.

"It (the DD-500) gives students a

chance to drive around in a golf cart in a way that's humorous, but in no way are we promoting driving under the influence," Cowles said. "That is the problem in the understanding that people have in being a designated driver. It's not who drank the least, because you can't drink at all."

Virginia Murr, assistant director of the University Health Center, said Alcohol Awareness Week is only one part of their total effort to stop irresponsible drinking.

"The week is critical because it's put on by students for students," Murr said. "The goals are to provide students with education and they need to understand their alcohol level and the information they need to stay healthy."

## Education commissioner visits University officials

By SARA SLEYSER  
MANAGING EDITOR

The state's acting commissioner for higher education toured the University campus for the first time Wednesday.

Commissioner Quentin Wilson visited Northwest with Robert Stein, assistant commissioner for academic affairs, to gain a better understanding of the problems universities are facing in light of the state's budget uncertainty.

"We're trying to understand some main challenges they face," Wilson said. "Every institution has taken unique strategies without damaging student instruction."

Wilson came to Northwest to learn how the University is measuring its success and how administrators are responding to the challenge.

"Northwest is one of the role models in this area when looking at quality," Wilson said. "We wanted to learn what Northwest is doing so others can learn from them."

With the economy still uncertain, Wilson is pushing that whatever revenue is available be given to higher education.

"We need to be the advocate for higher education," he said. "We need to communicate that to the public and legislature. Higher education is a great investment and we need to make a better case for that."

Northwest President Dean Hubbard accompanied the commissioner, helping to highlight Northwest achievements.

"We want to show what has been accomplished and what needs to be done," Hubbard said. "Because we've done well with what we've been given, we're worthy of more funds."

Wilson began his six-week appointment as acting commissioner Sept. 17 after Kala M. Stroup resigned from the position.

Before that he worked as director of the Missouri Department of Revenue. While there he helped the department receive a Missouri Quality Award.

## Northwest students present comedy

By DEVIN RANKIN  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Northwest students will take the stage Thursday at the Black Box Theatre in the Performing Arts Center to perform "Present Tense," a one-act comedy by playwright John McNamara.

The play, which has a cast of five, is the story of a high school student named Norm who lets his imagination get the best of him while he is waiting for confirmation for his date to Prom from his girlfriend, Ann, said Pamela Leung, director.

Leung, a senior majoring in theater education, is directing "Present Tense," a physical comedy that includes lots of movement and facial expressions, as her first directing project.

"I think that it is exciting to find all the new experiences that come with this

new endeavor," Leung said. "I am extremely proud of the cast already, because they have worked so hard and I would be proud to have anyone come see it."

The play will include a rookie cast, featuring several freshmen and some who are new to acting.

"This is one of my first plays in college and it is already my favorite," said Lee Pope, theater major. "It is so different from high school and I think it will be a great learning experience."

Sharing the evening with the comedy will be "Value of Names," a serious drama that is a contrasting piece to the humor of the first presentation.

"This really will be a night of entertainment," Leung said.

"Present Tense" will be at 7:30 p.m. Tickets will be sold for \$3 at the door.



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Nathan Lane, undecided major, experiences the difficulties of driving under the influence with the assistance of beer goggles at the Alcohol Awareness obstacle course Tuesday.

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## Regional class teaches citizens leadership skills

By SARA SLESTER  
MANAGING EDITOR

For the past two years, members of the 15-county region of northwest Missouri have been gathering to improve networking and leadership skills. A third class is being selected for next year's leadership team.

Leadership Northwest Missouri is a program that helps leaders throughout the region build their skills and develop contacts, said Program Director Bobbie Cronk.

"We're looking for people with potential or exhibited leadership quality and a commitment to the region," Cronk said.

Deb Powers, Maryville resident, was a member of the first class. She saw the course as a growing point for leaders in the community.

"It was developed to hone leadership skills and to look at the exploration of issues in the region as a whole," Powers said. Her group of 20 met once a month in different cities throughout the region. Each meeting had a theme from health care to education and work force development to infrastructure throughout the region.

"The nice thing is I can call anybody that was in my class and talk about any issue," she said. "The re-

sources are just phenomenal."

When year two of the course began, Leslie Abarr-Chandler, Maryville resident, took the chance to take part in the class.

"We had the opportunity to meet with a variety of people in a variety of positions in northwest Missouri," Abarr-Chandler said. "It was extremely informative in giving us a better idea of the challenges in this region and the things we have to celebrate in this corner of the state."

For her, the class was an opportunity for growth in leadership roles and connecting resources.

"When we start to network like that we become a more cohesive region," Abarr-Chandler said.

Because of the class, Powers has developed a group of friends she might otherwise not have crossed paths with.

"The resources are invaluable," she said. "You can't put a price on that or the friendships that you build."

Applications are available and due to Cronk by Nov. 15. The applicants selected will be notified Dec. 1. Tuition is \$500, which includes an overnight gathering in St. Joseph, and materials and lunch for all class sessions. For more information or an application, Cronk can be contacted at (816) 232-4461.



PHOTO BY ABBY SIMONS/COMMUNITY NEWS EDITOR  
Bryan Lemons, Downing's Barber Shop owner, catches up on the daily news in wait for his next customer while Gail Downing gives Shawn Kell, a student at Conception Seminary College, a trim. The 70-year-old shop serves loyal customers of all ages.

## Barbershop survives test of time while delivering trims, tradition

By SARAH SWEDBERG  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Hidden behind the Nodaway County Courthouse, a customer can walk into Downing's Barber Shop at 410 N. Market St. and experience friendly service and an informative conversation.

The 70-year-old barbershop operates from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to noon on Saturdays. Customers can receive an inexpensive \$5 haircut and \$8 beard and mustache trim. Customers get not only a haircut but an update of Maryville news.

"Barbershops are a good source of information," said Gail Downing, former Downing's Barber Shop owner.

Customers like Maryville resident Kent Mercer have enjoyed coming to Downing's because of the service and the lines for a haircut are fairly short.

"I tried (Downing), liked him and I have been back ever since," said Maryville resident Russell "Doc" Young.

Downing and current Barber Shop owner Bryan Lemons both agree the good service and conversation is what keeps customers coming back.

"A good quality haircut is what (customers) come back for," Lemons said.

Downing agreed and added that affordability was a factor.

"A good haircut and a fair price," Downing said.

Downing came to the Barber Shop in 1961 where he made the third barber at the three-chair barbershop, as well as the 17th barber in Maryville. Downing said there used to be 32 barbers in Maryville, and today there are only three, Lemons, Downing and Gary Greeley of Gary's Barber Shop.

Not only are few barbers left in Maryville, but Downing has less customers than when he started.

"Business is down a good third," Downing said. "When business drops, you hate it, but you do not want to give it (the business) up."

Downing owned his barbershop for more than 40 years until he decided to spend winters in Texas and hand over the business to Lemons, who worked at the Barber Shop for five years before taking ownership one year ago. Lemons said the shop cuts an average of 30 to 40 customers' hair a day.

"The customers are life-long, from kids up through retired farmers," Lemons said.

Lemons said he has liked working at Downing's Barber Shop.

"You are your own boss and you set your own hours," he said.

What separates Downing's Barber Shop from the beauty and hair designer shops in Maryville are the flat tops Downing frequently cuts.

"It all depends on what you want and your taste," Downing said. "But it costs more at beauty shops, so they come here."

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## Unknown Wonders of Nodaway County

## Campus precinct offers choice for Northwest voters

By JASON PRICE  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Students of different political parties will make the journey to the polls and join the respected minority of American voters Nov. 5.

Northwest's registered voters will not have far to travel to voice their opinions on election day thanks to the efforts of the Young Democrats of Northwest and the Nodaway County Clerk's Office.

In years past, Northwest students would have to travel to the First Christian Church to cast a vote. However, this year, the location has been moved to the Wesley Center.

The Wesley Center was used as a polling place in the 2000 Presidential election, and "it worked well for the students," said Beth Hann, deputy county clerk.

The state of Missouri has also

added a revision to the voting process in order to avoid problems such as in the Bush/Gore election.

To vote, some form of identification is required. Any of the following will be acceptable: a valid driver's license, student I.D. card or a voter registration card.

"The state is working to avoid any kind of conflicts we might have during the election," Hann said.

The polls will be open from 6 a.m. until 7 p.m. Nov. 5.

While local voting is available, services are also available for students looking to cast their vote in hometown elections.

An absentee ballot can be obtained by contacting the county clerk of the county you are registered to vote. The state of Missouri will not mail out any ballots after the Oct. 30 cut-off date.

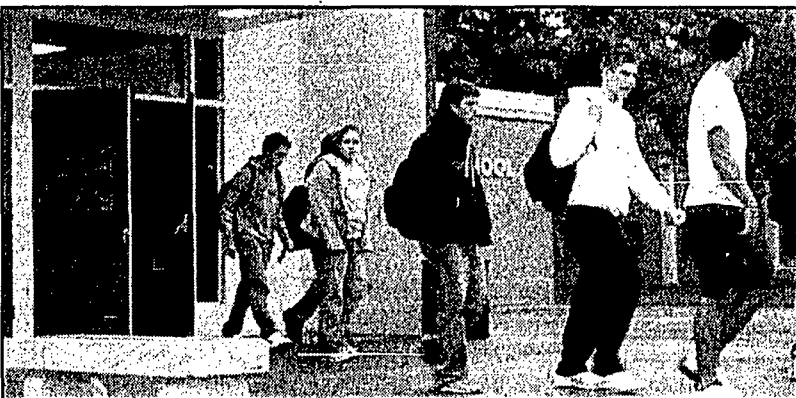


PHOTO BY ABBY SIMONS/COMMUNITY NEWS EDITOR  
Even with a budget crunch, Maryville High School students remain content with the school's financial situation. "I haven't really noticed any differences, other than there's never any Peanut Butter M&Ms in the vending machine," said sophomore Davin Underwood.

## Despite budget struggle Maryville schools remain fiscally sound

By JESSICA TASLER  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

As the state of Missouri continues its financial struggles, Maryville public schools are preparing for more cuts in their budget.

Maryville's primary and secondary schools are taking a conservative approach to their spending in preparation for future cuts in their budget. Although future cuts are expected, the school system is currently fiscally sound, Superintendent Jay Reese said.

"Our current budget is balanced,"

Reese said. "And we plan to finish our fiscal year with a balanced budget."

Reese claims that in preparation for more cuts, schools are spending their money conservatively and watching the state's financial situation.

"We are keeping a close eye on the state level because what goes on there might have some ramifications for us later on in the year," Reese said. "Our budget problems are part of a larger picture involving the state of Missouri."

Reese said the school system should know more about their finan-

cial situation by January and what changes will need to be made to accommodate any cuts. Reese claimed that a "tight-budget approach" will be taken for the next four to five years.

Although measures are being taken to cut spending, Maryville's schools are fortunate because they receive 70 percent of their funding from local sources, an advantage many public schools do not have. Reese also claims that Missouri Gov. Bob Holden will help in preventing large cuts.

"Fortunately, we have a governor that

does not want to cut secondary and elementary school funding," Reese said.

Maryville High School Principal Ron Landherr said schools have had to take several steps to save money, including cutting supplies and limiting the number of workshops and professional development activities the faculty participates in. Landherr does not see a bright future for the school's budget and is prepared for more cuts. For now, Landherr plans to weather the storm.

"We will make due with what we have and see where it goes," Landherr said.

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## The Fire This Time Peace prize winner unworthy of award

Frequent readers of this column (if there are any) would likely expect me to laud Jimmy Carter's Nobel Peace Prize because of his much-touted promotion of human rights, international cooperation and justice both in and out of the United States.

And indeed, since his term as president, when Carter said that human rights should be the "soul of our foreign policy," Carter has been seen as a steadfast advocate of social and economic justice.

But his record is far from unblemished—and the first thing that comes to my mind is a letter sent to him in 1980 by Archbishop Oscar Romero of El Salvador.

That year, Carter sent a large military aid package to El Salvador's brutal government, which, as an article published by Northwestern University put it, openly "stole elections, murdered priests and massacred peasants."

Romero, a conservative priest by all accounts, begged Carter to stop supporting the slaughter, which reached almost 1,000 victims a month. He said the aid would greatly "sharpen injustice and repression against the people's organizations" that were working "for respect, for their most basic human rights."

Apparently Carter missed the letter, which was published in the *New York Times*, because he not only sent millions, but also provided training for the "moderates" who were responsible for the vast majority of the 65,000 eventually killed.

Someone noticed Romero's letter though, and he was quickly assassinated for his plea.

Meanwhile, the Carter administration had been attending to other business in the region. The sadistic, criminal Somoza family dictatorships—put in place and supported by the United States—finally lost power when the Sandinista guerrillas overthrew Anastasio Somoza Debayle in 1979.

President Franklin Roosevelt called Debayle's father "our son of a bitch," and son of a bitch about to lose a U.S. client state just because his son was not dead in a defeated.

So, he reorganized the thugs known as Somoza's National Guard, and after committing a war crime by flying the guard's leaders out in Red Cross planes, helped the "Contras" start their infamous war against the Sandinista government and the people who supported them.

On the other side of the world, in Cambodia, Carter and his national security adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski started Task Force 80, a U.S.-Thai operation that propped up the infamous Khmer Rouge.

Nearby, in South Korea, student and worker groups were protesting the military dictatorship of Chun Doo Hwan. The Carter administration advised the military to respond decisively. The South Korean military did so on May 17, 1980 when they massacred at least 1,000 people in the city of Kwangju.

By that time, Carter had already increased military support for Indonesia's Suharto family regime as they stepped up their post-invasion slaughter in East Timor. Suharto, who the Bill Clinton administration later called "our kind of guy," killed thousands in Indonesia and then did the same in oil-rich East Timor, while we shipped arms to help the cause.

And the list goes on—Carter, like most U.S. presidents, despite his hopeful rhetoric, supported despots all over the world, from Ferdinand Marcos in the Philippines to the Shah of Iran to Somoza in Nicaragua.

After his presidency, despite truly remarkable work with organizations like Habitat for Humanity, Carter has continued to have a negative impact on actual human rights situations, such as in Haiti, where the deal he brokered left much of the brutal power structure in place and left us working alongside the same military we had just called "armed thugs" on a "reign of terror."

As James Petras, a scholar at Binghamton University in New York, has argued, when Carter intervenes, "the outcomes are always heavily skewed against political forces that want change" and toward "very conservative solutions . . . compatible with elite interests."

Obviously, the blame for supporting so many atrocities does not rest solely on Carter; his decisions as president were dependent on information provided by intelligence agencies, military leaders and his personal policy advisers.

But does shared blame mean that Carter's name should be honored along with people like Mother Teresa, Nelson Mandela, Martin Luther King Jr. and the Dalai Lama?

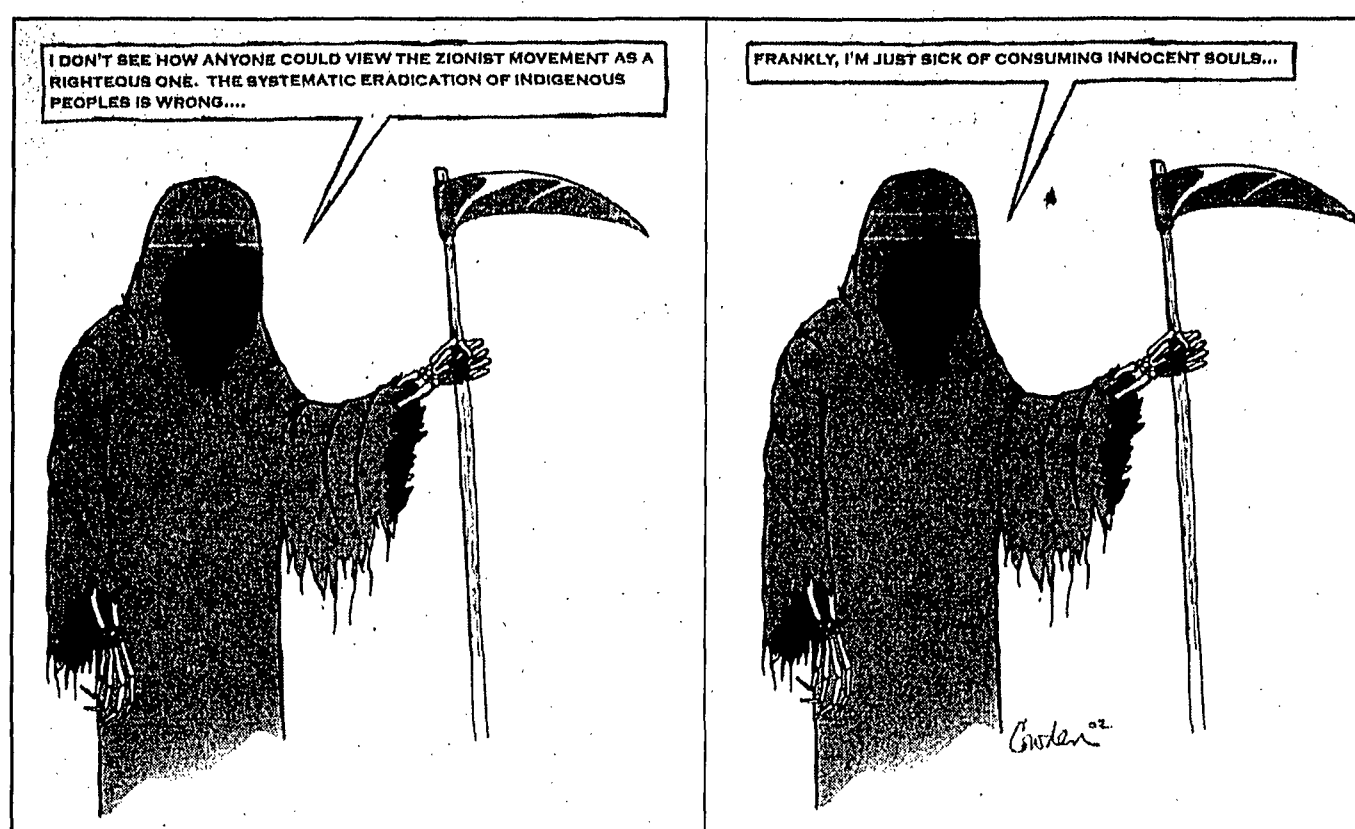
Sadly, when compared to some of the other Nobel Peace laureates, including international criminals like Henry Kissinger and Yasser Arafat, Carter nearly appears to be the unblemished dove he's often made out to be.

So, I guess it should be comforting that Carter edged out salivating hawks George W. Bush and his Brit buddy Tony Blair, who were also nominated for the world's premier peace honor. Well, there's always next year—here's hoping.

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■ In the Oct. 17 issue in the Doggie Derby feature photo outline on page 5A, the boy in the photo was Ian Chandler, not Lan Chandler.



## Our View Speak out

College students need to voice opinions on political decisions by taking time to vote

With campaign signs posted in every front yard, mudslinging advertisements between candidates filling the airwaves and handshaking and baby-kissing at an all-time high, it's hard to deny that election season is here.

With the high publicity of democracy in action, however, also comes the high rate of apathy. With the Nov. 5 elections drawing dangerously near, the importance of voting, particularly among college students, cannot be stressed enough.

This year's local elections include Nodaway County prosecuting attorney, county clerk and presiding commissioner. State-level elections include the tight races for state representative, Congress and the Senate. With a high rate of opposition and a number of hot-button issues, there's no doubt the actions of the candidates elected, whether Democrat or Republican, may have a direct impact on Northwest students.

Also coming into play are proposed legislation that may effect a high rate of Northwest students in the form of Proposition A, a proposed 374 percent increase in the current tobacco tax to 55 cents in order to pay for health care programs.

Since the national voting age was lowered to 18 in 1971, trends have shown increasingly low voter turnout in young voters. According to *The Citizenship Educator*, a newsletter published by the Missouri Bar Advisory Committee on Citizenship Education, since 1972 there has been a decrease in voting among 18- to 24-year-olds of nearly 20 percent. Of young voters, only 26 percent believed that voting was "extremely important."

While voter apathy is a grave enough situation alone, what could be considered worse is voters who may be uneducated on the nature of issues candidates stand

for, as well as the candidates themselves.

Luckily for citizens of Maryville and Northwest students alike, a number of opportunities exist for voters to become educated on issues and become acquainted with local as well as state candidates. Both the Democratic and Republican headquarters are located on North Main Street and are stocked with volunteers eager to increase participation among young voters in elections. Tuesday's candidate's forum marked yet another chance for citizens to meet the candidates and discuss the issues.

With opportunities such as these for young voters to become acquainted with the issues that, without a doubt, will bear impact on them as Missouri citizens, there simply is no excuse for Northwest students not to vote and make their voices heard. And, as it was shown in the 2000 presidential election, every voice counts.

## Letter to the Editor

Lawyer agrees with columnist, expands on atrocities of explorer

I am somewhat reluctant to send this letter because in my last letter to *The Northwest Missourian*, I noted that it has not been my nature to either review editorials or to send letters to the editor. That is in fact true. This is only the third time I have sent a letter to the editor, but when I reviewed the column by Jed Murr in the Oct. 10 edition, I felt compelled to offer a few additional thoughts.

I enjoyed Mr. Murr's column titled "Holiday celebrates inaccurate legend." I appreciate independent thinking. There is no doubt that Christopher Columbus has a legacy that includes not only the positive facts, which are routinely reported in our textbooks, but also the unseemly facts that were mentioned by Mr. Murr. However, Mr. Murr's remarks barely scratch the surface of a larger issue. And that issue is whether our history lessons are fairly presenting the historical facts. Let me explain.

It seems to me that our standard history texts present a historical scenario that was generally set in concrete many years ago, and there has been a general resistance to accept any significant changes. Specifically, the discovery of the North American

continent and the colonization of North America have not been fairly considered. The fact is that North America was a well-known destination for traders before Columbus sailed the ocean blue.

There are many nontraditional historians whose works have not been given, in my opinion, adequate consideration. Barry Fell, who was by educational training a marine biologist, published three books on the subject of the exploration and settlement of the North American continent before Columbus' expeditions. Fell wrote, "America, B.C.," "Bronze Age America," and "Saga America." He reports about the discovery of Roman coins in the area of Tennessee and Kentucky. Furthermore, it is Fell's opinion that the petroglyphs found in Ontario date back to 1500 B.C. From the perspective of Judeo-Christian history, that would be during the lifetime of Moses. He further opines that copper ore was mined in North America and was transported back to Europe for use during the Bronze Age. He presents some very challenging thoughts.

Another author, Graham Hancock, who is very exciting, presents a refreshed

view in "Fingerprints of the Gods." Unless a person wants to have his thinking challenged, he should not read this book because it will revolutionize what you have been taught in traditional history courses. For instance, Mr. Hancock believes that based upon existing evidence, civilizations that are regarded as the most ancient civilizations were not the oldest sophisticated civilizations. Rather, he believes a more ancient knowledge was derived. A very challenging concept.

As mentioned earlier, I appreciate Mr. Murr's perceptive comments. However, I think that more should be done to present the "rest of the story" in our history classes. Perhaps, an entire semester class on the subject of America B.C. would be in order. All of us must be willing to think outside the box rather than simply accepting a view of the world that was preordained years ago.

These are my thoughts for what they are worth.

G. SPENCER MILLER  
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What do you think of the Residential Life Master Plan?



"I'm sure it will be appealing to potential students but I question the necessity. It will probably benefit the University but it may hurt the Maryville small businesses."

Patrick Johnson  
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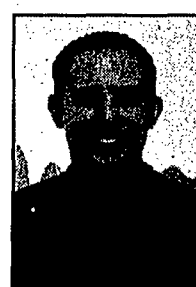
"I think that it would be nice for students to have nice rooms, but the University should take care of the current debt issue that is causing cutbacks campuswide."

Travis Lane  
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"Depending on the amount in which the housing costs are raised, I would have to speak for all students when I say this upgrade would come with a higher cost."

Jason Yeager  
JIS MAJOR



"If the University plans to go into further debt, then I am sure the benefits will outweigh the cost in the long run. Debt is not a bad thing but mismanaged debt is. I don't think the University would go into debt on a large risk."

Matt Walker  
COMMUNICATIONS/ THEATRE ARTS ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

## Letter to the Editor Fire official reminds about battery change

This is a letter that can save lives in Maryville.

The simple, yet powerful, act of changing batteries in smoke alarms when you change the clock on Oct. 27 can double a family's chances of getting out of a home fire alive.

As a 17-year fire service veteran, I have witnessed firsthand the tragedy and devastation of home fires. I have lost an uncle to a home fire. It is even more heartbreaking when a young life is cut short. Each day, an average of nearly three children die in home fires. Overall, roughly 80 percent of home fire deaths in this country occur in homes without working smoke alarms.

Considering that a residential fire ignites every 85 seconds and fire deaths peak in winter months, it just makes sense to change your smoke alarm batteries each and every fall. Additionally, the International Association of Fire Chiefs recommends replacing your smoke alarm every 10 years.

We hope you'll join the International Association of Fire Chiefs and Energizer — our "Change Your Clock, Change Your Battery" partner for 15 years — in sharing this lifesaving information with your readers.

LT. PHIL RICKABAUGH  
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# Calendar of Events

## Thu. 24th ■ National Chemistry

**Week**  
 ■ Alcohol Awareness Week  
 ■ Last date to place a second-block course to audit  
 ■ Preliminary ambassador interviews  
 ■ Maryville Rotary Club Ham and Beef Supper, 5-7 p.m., Nodaway County Senior Center  
 ■ Theater: "Present Tense" and "Value of Names," 7:30 p.m., Performing Arts Center, Black Box Theatre  
 ■ Visiting writer: Tony Hoagland, 8 p.m., Union Boardroom

## Fri. 25th ■ National Chemistry Week

■ Student payday  
 ■ Last date to remove yearbook charge  
 ■ Last date to receive 25 percent refund for dropped second-block courses  
 ■ Friday Night Cafe, 5 p.m., third floor Administration Building  
 ■ Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., Conception Abbey  
 ■ Alcohol Awareness Week

## Sat. 26th ■ Psychology and Sociology

yard raking fundraiser  
 ■ Winter Guard auditions, 10 a.m., Fine Arts Building  
 ■ A Party for Singles, 6:30 p.m., Bearcat Lanes  
 ■ ACT, 8 p.m., third floor Colden Hall  
 ■ MBA Comprehensive Exam  
 ■ Delta Zeta Centennial

## Sun. 27th ■ Daylight savings time ends

■ 43rd Annual Business and Professional Women Hobby Show, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Bearcat Arena  
 ■ St. Gregory's Church Annual Fall Parish Dinner, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Parish Center  
 ■ Chad Lawson Trio, 8 p.m., Charles Johnson Theatre

## Mon. 28th ■ Psychology and Sociology

yard raking fundraiser  
 ■ IM Walleyball entries close, noon  
 ■ Alcoholics Anonymous, 6 p.m., First United Methodist Church

## Tues. 29th ■ Financial management

association book sale, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Colden Hall

## Wed. 30th ■ Homecoming Variety

Show, 7:30 p.m., Performing Arts Center  
 ■ IM Walleyball Meeting, 4 p.m.  
 ■ Financial management association book sale, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Colden Hall  
 ■ Alcoholics Anonymous, 6 p.m., Margaret Davidson Square  
 ■ Psychology and Sociology yard raking fundraiser

## Thu. 31st ■ Homecoming Variety

Show, 7:30 p.m., Performing Arts Center  
 ■ WINGS Support Group, 11:30 a.m., 6 p.m., Children and Family Center  
 ■ Financial management association book sale, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Colden Hall

## Rocking on



Lead guitarist Mike Meek of Soul Rush participated in Rock Out Cancer Wednesday night at the Conference Center. Rock Out Cancer was a fundraiser put on to raise money for Camp Quality. Camp Quality is a camp and year-round support program for children with cancer and their families.

## PUBLIC SAFETY

**Oct. 20**  
 ■ An officer received a report of an individual attempting to use a fake ID to enter a business in the 400 block of North Buchanan. Andrew S. Wurtz, 18, Maryville, was issued a summons for possession of another person's ID.

■ Phillip A. Digiovanni, 22, Kansas City, Mo., was stopped in traffic northbound in the 1200 block of South Main. Teresa R. Demott, 66, Maryville, was traveling northbound in the turning lane. Digiovanni began to merge into the turning lane, striking Demott.

**Oct. 21**  
 ■ Nicholas J. Glasnapp, 22, Maryville, was stopped in traffic behind Peggy L. Stroborg, 47, Maryville. Stroborg started forward from stop at a posted stop sign and then stopped again in order to yield to cross traffic. Glasnapp started forward as Stroborg initially started from stop. Glasnapp struck Stroborg. Glasnapp was issued a summons for careless and imprudent driving.

■ Bryson L. Byergo, 19, Savanah, and Donna L. Younglove, 60, Quitman, were stopped at a stop sign in a driveway in the 1600 block of South Main. Younglove started forward then stopped again for traffic. Byergo struck Younglove.

**Oct. 22**  
 ■ Steven L. Swaim, 49, Maryville, was northbound on South Main, stopped in traffic. Joseph D. Belager, 54, Maryville, was northbound on South Main. Belager struck Swaim. Belager was issued a summons for careless and imprudent driving by striking a vehicle in the rear.

■ Michael A. Wize, 19, Maryville, was eastbound in the 400 block of West Seventh. Erin M. Parnell, 21, Maryville, was westbound in the 300 block of West Seventh. Parnell attempted to make a left turn onto the 600 block of North Mulberry. Wize struck Parnell. Parnell was issued a summons for failure to yield right of way while making a turn.

## BIRTHS

### Jamie Sue Wray

Nick and Jennifer Wray, Pickering, are the parents of Jamie Sue, born Oct. 14 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.  
 She weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces and joins one sister, Kimberly.  
 Maternal grandmother is Clara Lyn Calfee, Hopkins. Paternal grandparents are Dale and Donna Wray, Pickering.  
 Maternal great-grandmother is Virginia Vore, Hopkins. Paternal great-grandmother is Shirley Auffert, Maryville.

### Keiren Bradley Watkins

Bradley and Veronica Watkins, Red Oak, Iowa, are the parents of Keiren Bradley, born Oct. 15 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.  
 He weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces.  
 Maternal grandparents are Mary Blakeley and Leland Watkins, Kansas City, Mo. Paternal grandparents are Mark and Melba Watkins, Maryville.  
 Maternal great-grandparents are Alice Shea and George Wilbers, Kansas City, Mo. Paternal great-grandparents are Louis and Kay Watkins, Maryville.

## DEATHS

### Dorothy Lois Sharr

Dorothy Lois Sharr, 71, Skidmore, died Oct. 16 at her home in rural Skidmore.  
 She was born Dec. 25, 1930, to Roy and Wilma Gardner in Hamburg, Iowa.

She is survived by one sister, Louise Henshaw; nieces and nephews.  
 Graveside services were Oct. 19 at Orrsburg Cemetery in Parnell.

### Ruthanne Collins

Ruthanne Collins, 69, Maryville, died Oct. 18 at Parkdale Manor Care Center in Maryville.  
 She was born Jan. 20, 1933, to Joe and Malinda Messbarger in Maryville.  
 She is survived by her husband, Bob; two sons, David and Danny, and many cousins.  
 Services were Oct. 21 at St. Gregory's Catholic Church in Maryville. Burial was at St. Mary's Cemetery in Maryville.

### Ron Zion

Ron Zion, 50, Maryville, died Oct. 19 at Kansas University Medical Center in Kansas City, Kan.  
 He was born Nov. 26, 1951, to Harry Zion and Wilma Weston in St. Joseph.

He is survived by his wife, Ardith; one son, Shad; five daughters, Shelly Tripp, Shandy Beck, Sheresa, Shara and Shea; three grandchildren, Tyler and Tucker Tripp and McKenzie Beck; one brother, Maurice; three sisters, Shirley Staples, Verletta Hurst and Nellie Christensen; and his mother, Wilma.

Services were Oct. 23 at Community of Faith Church in Maryville. Burial was at Oak Hill Cemetery in Maryville.

### Charles Denver Florea

Charles Denver Florea, 76, Hopkins, died Oct. 21 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He was born Dec. 20, 1925, to Bruce and Lela May Florea in Gaynor.  
 He is survived by one brother, Ralph; two sisters, Maxine Whipple and Rosa Kieffer; many nieces and nephews.

Services are at 2 p.m. today at Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville. Burial is at White Oak Cemetery in Pickering.

### Vancil Bell

Vancil Bell, 58, Maryville, died Oct. 21.

He was born Dec. 9, 1943, to Vern and Carrie Angle Bell in Stanberry.

He is survived by three sons, Kevin, Aaron and Jason; his fiancée, Aline Hawkins; two stepsons, Jerry and Sean Hawkins; one sister, Lila Wietham; one nephew, two nieces and 15 grandchildren.

Services were Oct. 23 at Johnson Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville. Burial was at King City Cemetery.

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# FINDING A WAY

## STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

*Although faced with severe limitations students with disabilities can find their way to college and become successful, productive members of society*

By ANN HARMAN  
FEATURES EDITOR

Everyone learns differently. Some people need hands-on participation to grasp how something works, while others can just read text or hear a lecture and comprehend information just as well. Some people need detailed instructions and others do better to figure it out as they go. Other people, however, don't have control over how they need to learn things, which makes adapting lectures and lab demonstrations difficult. Those students work twice as hard to succeed in college and prove they can make it in the real world.

For years, ignorance to physical and learning disabilities allowed society to believe that students with disabilities are not capable of thinking at the same intellectual level as those without disabilities. However, within the past 30 years, technology, education, awareness and laws increased the number of students diagnosed and helped teachers, parents and institutions find ways to help those students learn.

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) created provisions for students with disabilities to receive the same opportunities as other students. For instance, every college or university receiving federal financial funding must provide each student with the resources needed to attend that school.

The catch: students are responsible for finding out what accommodations he or she is granted. When those students get to college, it does not matter what help they received in high school or if they had extended time on their ACT. Just like any other college applicant, they are admitted based on test scores.

According to Leslie Spalding, director of the Talent Development Center, Northwest students with disabilities are encouraged to get things done on their own. Unlike high school, where teachers often seek out disabled students, in college, students must take an initiative and instigate accommodations themselves.

"(A student) wants extra time on a test?" Spalding said. "Not unless you share that with the teachers. You don't have to share your diagnosis, but you have to share that you need the accommodations. And you can't do it this morning if the test is this morning."

Claudia Molina, elementary education major, is one who makes things happen for herself. Coming to Northwest from Honduras, she had no idea the kind of accommodations she could receive for her poor eyesight to make learning more accessible.

Molina said she felt spoiled with all the technology and resources available, but still has some concerns about student teaching in Independence next spring.

"My fear right now is transportation," Molina said. "I wanted to do my student teaching and think, 'can I do this or can I not do this?' I want to know if I'm able to move around."

Although Molina is allowed to approach the board or record lectures, she said she only uses those accommodations when it is absolutely necessary. She knows her disability is limiting in how quickly or efficiently she can complete tasks, which is why she mainly takes the initiative to accommodate herself.

Other disabilities, however, are more difficult to recognize and often people mistake different learning techniques for stupidity.

Evie Baxter, elementary education major, was diagnosed with severe dyslexia when she was in kindergarten. Throughout elementary school she received help from several resource centers, which helped by reading tests to her or giving her extended time to take tests, both common accommodations made for students with disabilities.

As she has made her way from elementary school to high school and now on to college, she admits she relies heavily on resources such as the Talent Development Center, but thinks she is quite capable of helping students learn. "I can help (students)," Baxter said. "I can show them accommodations and show them how I got past my disability."

In Baxter's case, the trouble lies within how she reads and sees letters, making comprehension hard and relaying a lesson even harder. Fortunately, resources are readily available for her to utilize.

"There's a language barrier," Baxter said. "Throughout my life I've had to explain to my parents, my friends what

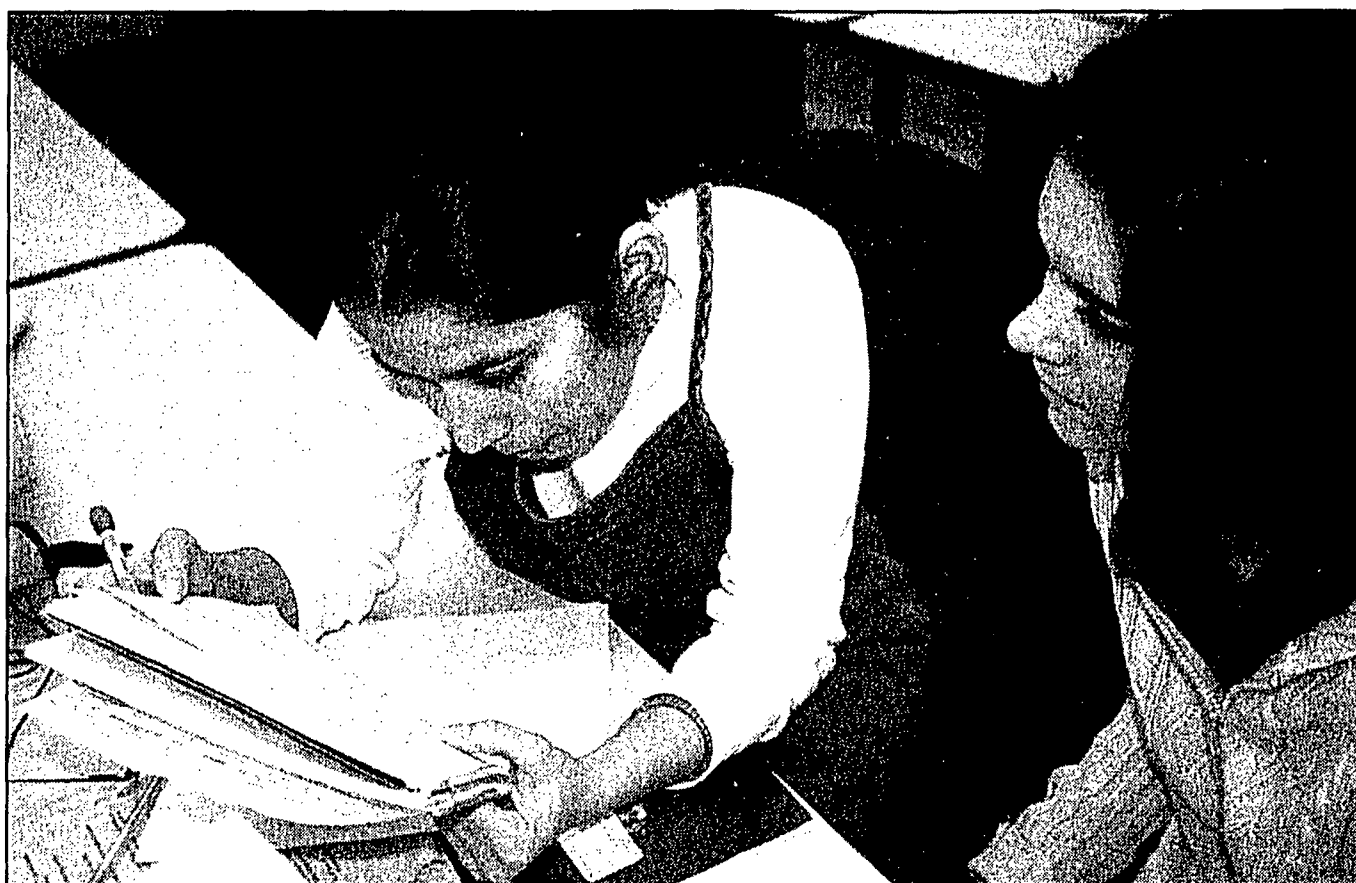


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Claudia Molina, who is legally blind in one eye and almost legally blind in the other, helps Carla Egeland by proofreading her Spanish paper. Molina tutors students in Spanish every day for two hours, helping with papers, grammar and conversation. Although Molina knew the University could offer help to make learning more accessible, receiving special accommodations was not her main goal. "I just wanted to let (the University) know that I do have a disability," Molina said. "Not that they should treat me differently."

I'm trying to say. There are millions of resources; I will try to find a different way to find out what (an) answer is."

So what are these accommodations and resources? Most of the resources are available to any student at Northwest: the Talent Development Center, the Writing Center and the Math Lab to name a few. Special accommodations, though, are a little harder to obtain.

Before any student is allowed to record lectures or get extended time for an exam, he or she must complete a series of steps. First, the student must contact a Learning Assistance Programs/Services (LAP/S) member at Northwest.

Then the student must provide documentation of his or her disability, including diagnostic conclusions and intelligence and achievement test results. Finally, he or she must submit a written request for specific accommodations noting what accommodations have been given in the past.

After all those things are processed, a LAP/S director will contact the student with a letter of accommodations and he or she is responsible for letting instructors know what is needed.

Besides looking to one's school for help, organizations are available to help students get equipment needed to have the same opportunities as other students.

Carmen Campbell, biology major, does not need many accommodations for her hearing impairment, but has gotten some accommodations from Northwest, including an FM system that hooks into her hearing aid allowing her to hear lectures more clearly and precisely. She said the support from faculty at Northwest has been great.

"I am totally amazed at the way all the professors are more than willing to help me," Campbell said. "I can go talk to my English teacher right after class and ask her anything I need."

Spalding said it is important to remember that students who receive help are still being tested on their knowledge, just in a different format. She also added that it is not fair to test someone's reading ability when that is not necessarily the most important aspect of a particular test.

But with all the resources and accommodations available one of the common traits among college students with disabilities is their drive to show other people they can succeed.

After several years of ridicule from classmates and being told she will never make it in college, Campbell uses that as her motivation to keep doing better.

"I'm totally determined to make a success out of myself," Campbell said. "It's kind of just to show them what Carmen is made of."

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### WHO ELSE FOUND A WAY?

Albert Einstein - dysgraphia and dyslexia; flunked math in high school

Winston Churchill - multiple learning disabilities

Thomas Edison - dyslexia

Ludwig van Beethoven - dyslexia and Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD)

Tom Cruise - dyslexia

Cher - dyslexia, dyscalculia, ADD

Henry Winkler - dyslexia and dysgraphia

Whoopi Goldberg - ADD

Woodrow Wilson - severe dyslexia

Source: Learning Disability Forum  
[www.learningdisabilityforum.com](http://www.learningdisabilityforum.com)

### OTHER WEB SITES

Association on Higher Education and Disability  
[www.ahed.org](http://www.ahed.org)

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[www.stlcc.cc.mo.us/fv/moahead/index.html](http://www.stlcc.cc.mo.us/fv/moahead/index.html)

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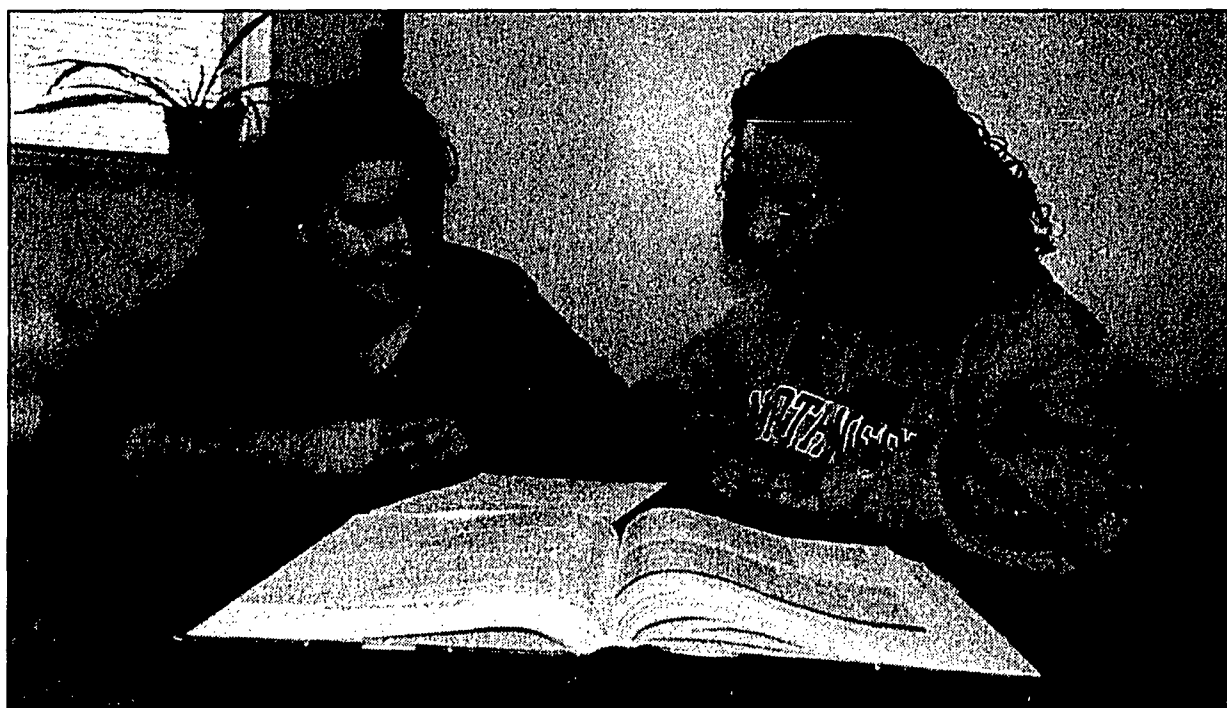
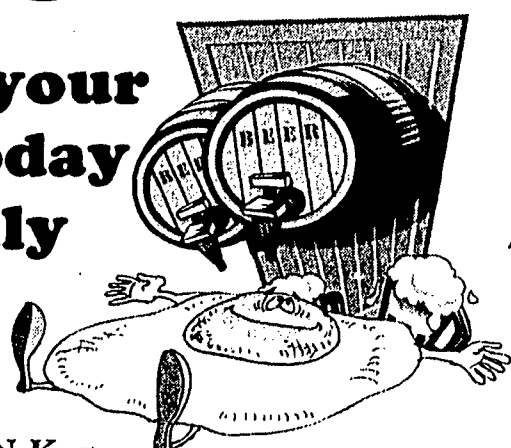


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Evie Baxter, left, receives help from Jenny Boesch in psychology at the Talent Development Center (TDC). Baxter goes to the TDC twice a week for help, cutting down from four times in previous years.

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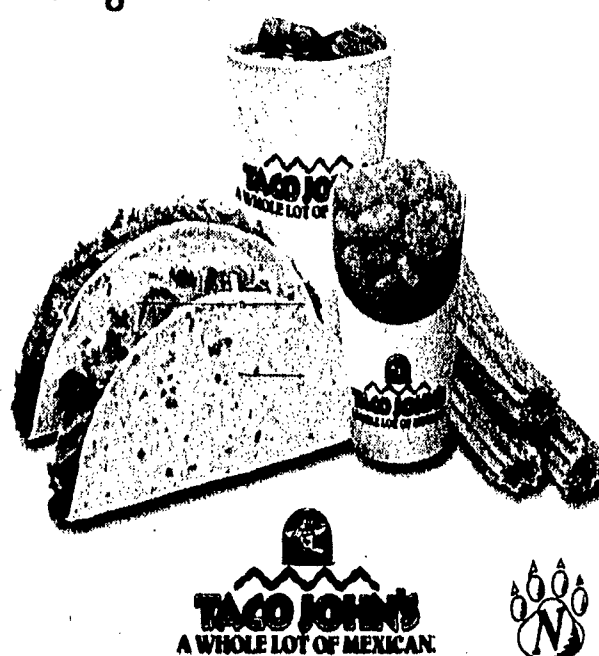
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Sept. 14	at Minn. St. - Mankato	1 pm
Sept. 21	Missouri - Rolla	1 pm
Sept. 28	at Southwest Baptist	2 pm
Oct. 5	at Washburn	7 pm
Oct. 12	Missouri Southern	1 pm
Oct. 17	Pittsburg State - Arrowhead Stadium - K.C., Mo.	7:30 pm
Oct. 26	at Truman State	1 pm
Nov. 2	Central Missouri State Homecoming	1 pm
Nov. 9	at Missouri Western	1 pm
Nov. 16	at Emporia State	2 pm



Northwest game preview

# 'Cats look to build on Pitt State victory

By CLARK GRELL  
SPORTS EDITOR

The Northwest football team is in the same situation it was at this time last year.

The team was coming off an emotional 35-31 win at Pittsburg State University and came home to play host to Truman State University.

Just when everything seemed like it was falling into place, the Bearcats were in position to control their own destiny in the quest of another MIAA title, the Bulldogs broke Northwest's chances and spirits.

In the 24-23 win, Truman broke Northwest's 22-game home winning streak, the Bearcats' 41-game conference winning streak and of all things, stole the Hickory Stick, the prized possession that goes to the winner of the game every season. It was Northwest's Homecoming game as well.

A year later, the Bearcats are coming off an emotional and physical 29-7 victory over Pitt State at Arrowhead Stadium.

"The challenge for us now is to build on that," head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. "We have four tough ball games left, starting with Truman this week."

Tjeerdsma said the team will be more prepared for this game than they were for last year's matchup against the Bulldogs.

"Our players are a lot more concerned about this game," he said. "I think we learned a great lesson last year. Also, our players really want to get that Hickory Stick back."

Truman State's challenge for the Bearcats this week will come from quarterback Dusty Burk.

The senior will go into Saturday's game as the Division II leader in total offense, averaging 90.7 rushing

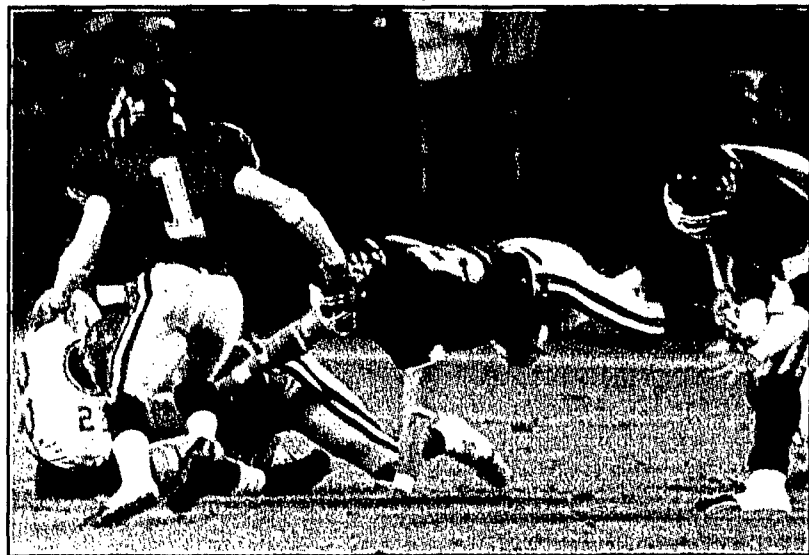


PHOTO BY BILL KNUST/ASSIGNMENT EDITOR  
The Northwest defense swarms around Pitt State's running back Anthony Hankins Thursday at Arrowhead. The Bearcats will try to avenge last year's comeback win by Truman at Rickenbro Stadium.

yards per game and another 238 passing yards.

"(We) just have to contain him, keep him inside and make him throw the ball," senior defensive end Mike Sunderman said.

After facing two of the top MIAA quarterbacks in consecutive weeks, the Bearcats must now deal with an-

other elite signal caller.

"(Josh) Chapman, we didn't see his best because he was hurt, and (Neal) Philpot is a different type of quarterback," Tjeerdsma said. "Dusty Burk will be our biggest challenge without a doubt, so far."

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Hickory Stick tradition

# Loss of traveling trophy fresh in players' minds

Bearcats attempt to take back Hickory Stick after its one-year absence from the Northwest trophy case

By MARK EUSTON  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

A hickory stick found on farmland that Eugene Fair, then Truman State University president, grew up on, sparked the tradition of the oldest trophy game in Division II history. U.W. Lamkin, president of Northwest at the time, found the stick in 1930 and gave it to Fair as a gift.

The two schools' football teams have been playing for ownership of the Hickory Stick ever since. Each year the winning team paints the tip of the stick with its school colors. Truman has the edge in the series that has been played 66 times, holding a record of 41-21-4. However, in recent history the Bearcats have held the advantage, winning five of the last six games.

"Last year after losing the stick it became a lot more important to our players when they realized they could lose it," head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said.

The loss came last year when the Bulldogs beat Northwest 24-23 on a last-second touchdown to end the Bearcats' conference winning streak record of 41.

After last year's loss, defensive tackle Mike Sunderman was disappointed to say the least.

"I was furious," Sunderman said. "The coaches had to hold me back. I don't want to have that feeling happen again."

After the 'Cats' big win over Pittsburg State University, the team

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Men's cross country coach Rich Alsop

"I'm not a big mileage person, some coaches are but if I had 100 percent of my runners run 40 miles per week I would be happy."

"The people that get injured are sometimes the people that didn't run that much (300 miles) in the summer."



Women's cross country coach Vicki Wooton

## COMMON RUNNING INJURIES

Source: Dr. Steven M. Pribut's Sports Pages

### Runner's knee

-Can be caused by wide hips in female runners, knocked knees, weak vastus medialis and pronation of the feet

### Iliotibial Band Syndrome

-Can be caused by bow legs, pronation of the foot, leg length discrepancy and running on a crowned surface

### Achilles tendonitis

-Caused by excessive hill running, sudden increases in training, sole that is too stiff or excessive heel cushioning  
Achilles tendon ruptures  
-Cause unknown

### Shin splints

-Caused by overtraining

### Planter Fasciitis

-Caused when your foot flattens while you are running and walking  
Heel spurs  
-Caused by excessive bone growth on the heel



Cross country runner Jamison Phillips

# GOING THE DISTANCE

Cross country runners log an average of 1,750 miles a year, deal with injuries that come with sport

By PETE GUTSCHENRITTER  
CHIEF REPORTER

Cross country runners travel about 2,000 miles through the snow, rain and scorching heat over the course of a year.

They accomplish this feat not by car or by plane, but by their own two feet. Both the men's and women's teams run year-round to prepare for the upcoming seasons.

The men's team averages about 40 miles per week, which is 2,080 miles a year. The women's team runs about 30 miles per week and 1,560 miles a year on average.

Rich Alsop, men's cross country head coach, said he expects his runners to run certain amounts of mileage in the summer.

"We start with about 40 miles a week in the summer, and then we gradually work our way up to 50 miles a week," Alsop said. "I'm not a big mileage person, some coaches are but if I had 100 percent of my runners run 40 miles per week, I would be happy."

Alsop said that times have

changed with the new generation of distance runners.

"The runners I used to have ran at a time when distance runners would run 70-80-90 miles a week," Alsop said. "But it doesn't happen anymore because they have too much to do and there is too much going on for them to do that."

Vicki Wooton, women's cross country head coach, said that she likes her runners to run 300 miles in the summer.

"They need to run that much because that will help them avoid injuries," Wooton said. "The people that get injured are sometimes the people that didn't run that much in the summer."

Between the cross country season and the winter track season, Wooton said she gives the team a break.

"They get a week off and we encourage them to do something different to recover from the season," she said.

With high amounts of running, comes the possibility of getting injured. Alsop said the most common

injuries he sees are shin splints and problems with the iliotibial band, which affects the knee. Freshman Andy Lemons has developed plantar fasciitis, which affects the ankle. Senior John Kasoa has inflammation in his calf, while junior Danny Burns is going to have surgery to remove cartilage from his knee.

Burns said he has battled through a lot of injuries but tries to get through it.

"Once you're around running as long as I have been, injuries are a part of the job," Burns said. "You do as much as you can to prevent them, such as off-season work, and you try to get healthy."

Burns said he is going to prepare himself for the spring track season.

"I'm doing rehab before the surgery because it makes your recovery easier," Burns said. "So I'm going to do physical therapy before and after the surgery, and strength-training, and I'll try to run this spring."

Senior Kyle Daily said he runs a lot in the summer and has not developed any serious injuries.

"Normally, I run about 40-60 miles per week in the summer, but this summer I didn't run as much," Daily said. "It gets you stronger and some people have knee problems, but not me."

Daily said it is hard to stay moti-

vated at times.

"When it gets cold and we have to run inside or run on treadmills it's depressing," he said.

On the women's team, Wooton said that the IT band injury and stress fractures in the lower leg are the most common. Senior Rachel Jenkins is currently out with a foot injury and freshman Heather Brokaw is currently battling a stress fracture. Sophomore Ashley Grosse also developed a stress fracture due to low calcium intake.

"When I went to Jamaica this summer I didn't drink any milk so my calcium level was low and I was running on an old pair of shoes," Grosse said. "Now I'm going to drink more milk, sleep and eat right, so hopefully I'll be able to run indoor and outdoor track."

Freshman Dia McKee, who is currently the No. 1 runner on the team, said she ran a lot this summer and has avoided injuries.

"In the summer, coach (Wooton) sends us a workout program to follow and I ran close to 300 miles," McKee said. "I've been running since the 8th grade and I've never been injured, thank God. Stretching a lot is important and I try to eat a lot in the winter so I can stay healthy."

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Northwest volleyball

# Spikers fall in four to rival Missouri Western

By JASON PRICE  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The 'Cats played host to the Griffons of Missouri Western Wednesday night at Bearcat Arena.

The Griffons were able to slide by the Bearcats 3-1, but three of the four sets were decided by three points or less, 27-30, 30-28, 24-30, 32-29.

"We have been very competitive with them (Missouri Western) each season," head coach Sarah Pelster.

Senior Heidi Hoffer and freshman Allison Hyland each had 18 kills in the game, while junior Leslie Junker lead Northwest with five blocks.

The Bearcats traveled to Spring-

field to compete in the Drury Invitational Saturday.

The Bearcats split a double header in the first day, dropping the first game to Central Oklahoma in four sets, 23-30, 23-30, 30-19, 23-30.

After the four-set loss to Central Oklahoma, the 'Cats were able to sweep Southeastern Oklahoma State, 30-23, 30-25,

senior April Rolf had five blocks.

In the second day of action at the Drury Invitational, the Bearcats fell

30-27.

In the victory over Southeastern Oklahoma, Hyland led the team offensively with 19 kills, as senior Megan Danek provided 47 assists.

Defensively for the 'Cats, sophomore Melea Zacharias had 15 digs and

to the host school, Drury University, and Rockhurst University, finishing the tournament with a 1-3 record.

"Our record in the tournament doesn't show how close the matches were," Pelster said. "We are definitely hoping to build on our performance during the rest of the season."

The 'Cats will travel to Southwest Baptist University Friday for a showdown with the Purple Bearcats and then to Central Missouri State University Saturday.

The Bearcats will be back home Nov. 6, for the home finale against Emporia State University.

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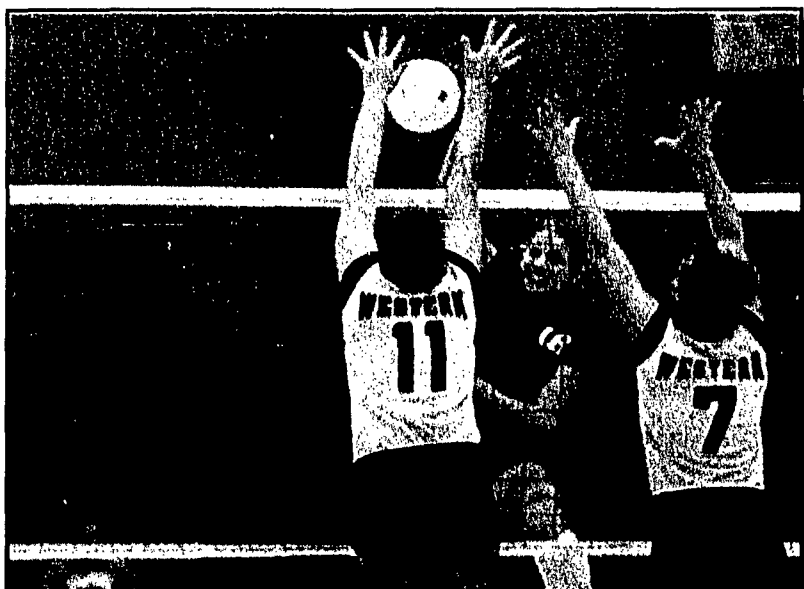


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Junior outside hitter Leslie Junker spikes the ball in front of two Griffon defenders Wednesday night at Bearcat Arena. The loss was the 'Cats' ninth in the MIAA this season.

## Northwest soccer

## 'Cats fall into slump, lose 2-0 to Southern

By CASEY HALL  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Northwest soccer dropped their third straight game Wednesday to Missouri Southern State College, 2-0.

The Bearcats and the Lady Lions struggled to adjust to the cold, wet weather. But in the 20th minute of the first half the Lady Lions put the ball in the back of the net and then scored again later in the first half. The Bearcats could not get the ball by the Missouri Southern goalkeeper in the first half on five shots.

In the second half, the 'Cats continued to struggle, but did start putting pressure on Southern's defenders. The Bearcats managed to out shoot the Lady Lions in the second half 8-5 but once again

could not find the back of the net.

"We just didn't play that great of defense today," head coach Joann Wolf said. "We struggled winning the 50/50 balls. I think if we could have just put one ball in the net I think it would have changed the game."

The Bearcats traveled to Kirksville to face conference leader Truman State on Oct. 16. The Bearcats fell to Truman State, 4-1. Freshman Carlie Hoskins

headed the only goal in the back of the net for the Bearcats. It was the first time in Northwest soccer history that they scored a goal on the Bulldogs.

"The girls came out and played with a lot of fire, but could seem to get by a much better team than the first time we played them," Wolf said. "Even though the Bulldogs scored four

## The last three

The 'Cats have lost their last three games after defeating Emporia two weeks ago.  
Oct. 12 - CMSU, lost 2-0  
Saturday - At Truman, lost 4-1  
Wednesday - MSSC, lost 2-0



PHOTO BY JOE KNUST/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER  
Freshman forward Kapua Cabreros avoids a Missouri Southern defender in the first half of the 'Cats' 4-0 loss. Rain and cold temperatures played a nagging role for both teams. Temperature at game time was 36 degrees with a wind chill of 28 degrees.

goals, freshman goalkeeper Michelle Goidl played well in net for us."

Coming up Sunday the Bearcats play host to Missouri-Rolla who is currently in last place in the MIAA.

"I think we can beat this team, we are much faster and their goalkeeper has struggled all year so if we get shots

we could possibly get a big win for us," Wolf said.

Saturday's game will be the last time for two seniors, midfielder Jennifer Gnefkow and defender Angela Hammon, to play in front at home.

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## Northwest cross country

## Harriers head to Joplin for conference meet Friday

By PETE GUTSCHENRITTER  
CHIEF REPORTER

After running in meets six straight weeks, the men's and women's cross country teams both received a week off to prepare for the MIAA championship meet.

Since the Wildcat Invitational at Baker University Oct. 11, both teams have been preparing for the conference meet, which is scheduled for Saturday at Missouri Southern State College.

Heading into the meet, women's head coach Vicki Wooton said the team has been hurting because of injuries.

"We have been practicing with low numbers but my goal is to have seven runners to run with," Wooton said. "This week we're doing intervals and last week we did more short intervals."

Wooton said the team will be competitive at the meet.

"We're hoping to cut the distance with Southwest Baptist," Wooton said. "Their No. 1 runner will probably win

the race but if we can stay with the other six runners, we can beat them."

Rich Alsop, men's cross country head coach, said there are some things the team needs to work on.

"We've pretty well resolved our race except the fourth mile," Alsop said. "We need to get our people packed up at the fourth mile marker and they need to be there for each other and they need to say 'we need to go, stay with me.'"

The men's race will be at 10:30 a.m. and the women's race will be at 11:30 a.m. in Joplin.

Central Missouri State University will play host to conference qualifiers in the South Central Regional meet in Warrensburg.

Missouri Southern and Truman State are the defending conference champions on the men's side as Pittsburg State University is the defending champions on the women's side.

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## CATS from 1B

## Defense looks to contain Bulldogs

Burk will not be the only Bulldog the Bearcats will have to worry about.

Senior running back Mike Redding is capable of big games. He had 104 yards on 16 carries against Washburn University two weeks ago.

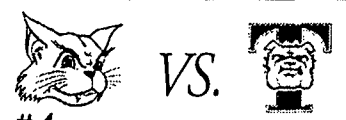
"Truman gives you a lot of different looks," Tjeerdsma said. "They will challenge our defense; it

will be tough to prepare for."

Truman (5-2, 2-2) entered the regional rankings for the first time this season, slated at No. 10 this week.

One of the two Bulldog losses this season came at home against Washburn, a 1-6 team, but Tjeerdsma expects a different Truman State team Saturday.

"We're not going to see that team (against Washburn) at all," he said. "We'll see their best—they'll be ready to play. We have to be ready for their very best game."



Game day: Saturday  
Kickoff: 1 p.m.  
Where: Stokes Stadium, Kirksville (capacity: 4,000)  
Series: Truman State leads the series, 54-23-4

Radio: KXCV (90.5 FM), KRNW (88.9 FM), KCXL (1140 AM), KNIM (1580 AM, 97.1 FM), KAN (99.5 FM)

## BEARCAT EXTRA

## TALE OF THE TAPE

## Northwest

Fr. Mitch Herring  
99 carries, 479 yards  
4.8 avg, 5 TDs, 68.4 ypg

Sr. John McMenamin  
236-148-6 62.7 percent  
17 TDs, 253.1 ypg, 1,772 yds

So. Jamaica Rector  
34 catches, 471 yards  
3 TDs, 78.5 ypg

Jr. Andy Greger  
37 total tackles, 18 solo  
19 assists, 2 FR

Sr. Eddie Ibarra  
7 FG, 26 PATs, 47 points  
6.7 points per game

## Team leaders

## Rushing

## Passing

## Receiving

## Tackling

## Scoring

## Truman State

Sr. Dusty Burk  
97 carries, 635 yards  
6.5 avg, 7 TD, 90.7 ypg

Burk  
226-138-7, 61.1 percent  
14 TDs, 238 ypg, 1,666 yards

Sr. Andrew Blakley  
62 catches, 700 yards  
5 TDs, 100 ypg

Jr. Tameem Yehyaw  
56 total tackles, 22 solo  
34 assists, 9 FL

Blakley  
9 TDs, 54 points  
7.7 points per game

## HICKORY from 1B

## 'Cats look for payback in quest of Stick

quickly turned its attention to Truman.

"We were pumped, but as soon as we got into the locker room at Arrowhead it was like, let's go get Truman," running back Geromy Scaggs said.

For the seniors it will be their last chance to regain possession of the trophy before they graduate.

"It would mean a lot to us (the seniors) to go get it back," Sunderman said. "It was embarrassing last year having to hand it over and watch them paint it."

Scaggs echoed Sunderman's feelings.

"It sucked, they splashed purple paint everywhere and they acted like they had just won the Superbowl," Scaggs said.

Tjeerdsma said he should have no problem motivating his players this week after what happened last

year.

"We took it for granted when we had it for five years, but having to present it to them at midfield and watch them paint it right in front of us, that should give us motivation for this week," Tjeerdsma said.

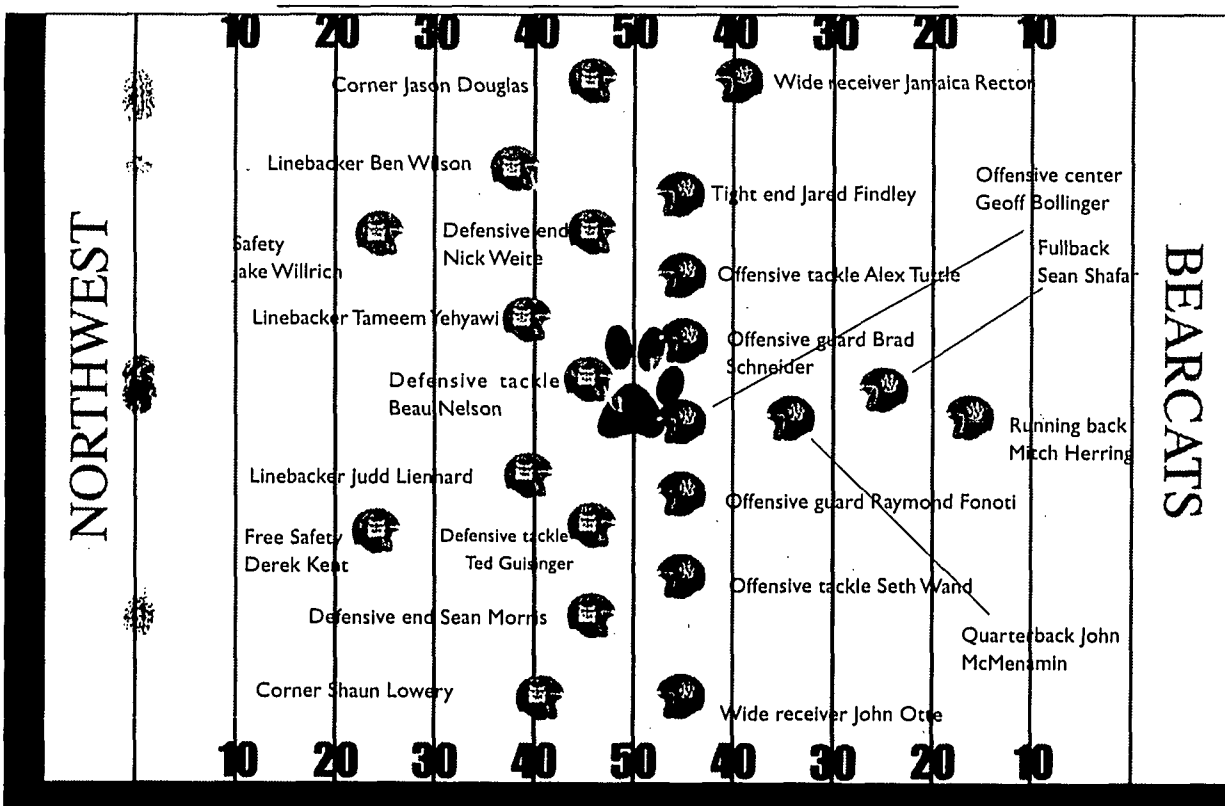
The Bearcats will make their first attempt in six years to regain the coveted trophy Saturday when they travel to Kirksville to face Truman.

"Nobody really talked about the Hickory Stick last year, but now that we don't have it, trust me, people are talking about it," Scaggs said.

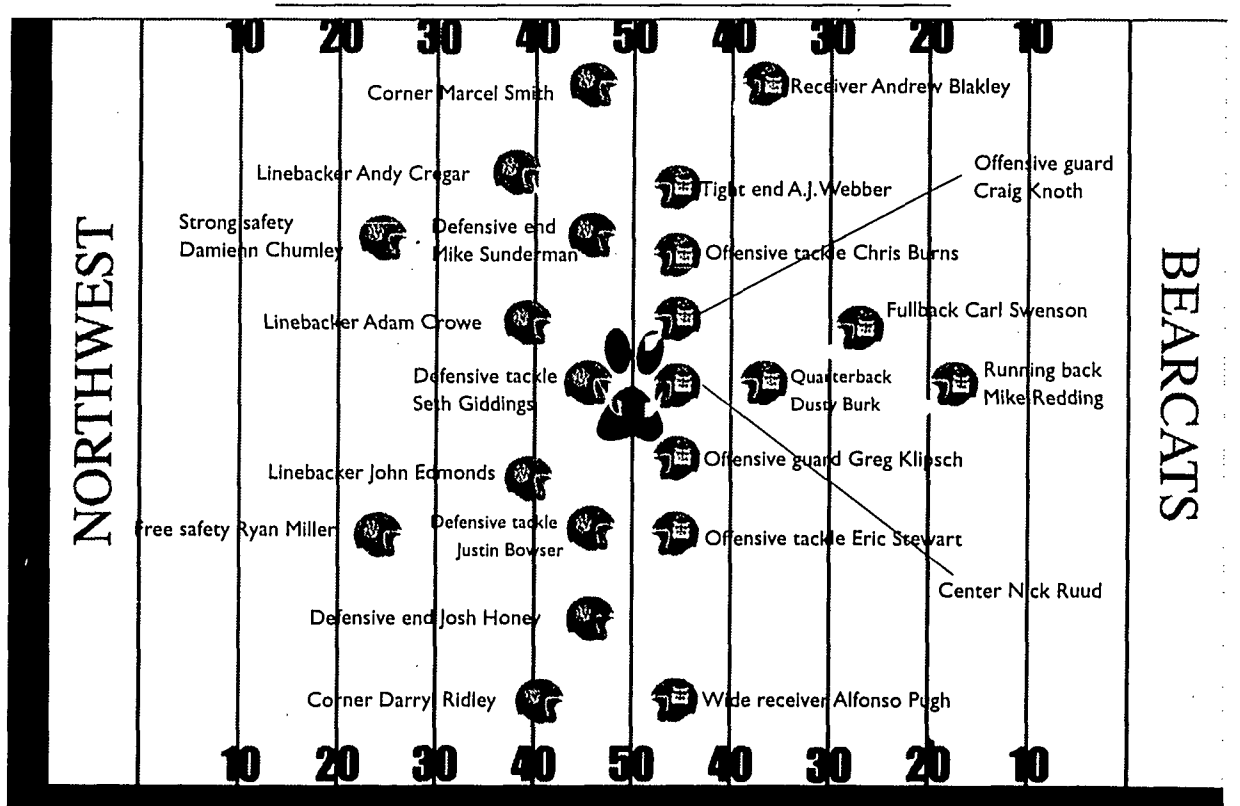
The last time Northwest was in Kirksville, two years ago, the Bearcats defeated the Bulldogs 31-20 to retain possession of the stick for the fifth straight season.

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## 'CATS ON OFFENSE, BULLDOGS ON DEFENSE



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## Maryville soccer

# Spoofhounds fall into losing slump

By COLE YOUNG  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The Maryville Spoofhounds have fallen on hard times as of late losing their last three matches.

"We have sort of fell off the wagon," head coach Stuart Collins said. "We are hanging around. We just haven't got back on."

In the three losses, the offense has been able to score only twice. The main problem for the 'Hounds during their offensive woes has been the lack of scoring opportunities.

"Finishing is not our problem," Collins said. "The middle phase is what is hurting us. We are not making good touch passes allowing our guys chances to score."

Pete Dawson and Adam Howell have been missing from the scoring equation. Neither has scored in the past three games.

"I don't think any team has been focusing solely on them," Collins said. "We stress team offense and team defense. Any team who thinks they will be able to focus on one or two players will be mistaken."

The 'Hounds traveled to St. Pius X for a non-conference matchup Tuesday. The 'Hounds were unable to get anything going, falling 4-1. Lucas Larson

scored the only goal on a penalty kick. Goalkeeper Tim Albee recorded 18 saves.

The 'Hounds traveled to LeBlond for another non-conference match Monday. The first half looked promising for the 'Hounds. However, as the second half began, the wind picked up in LeBlond's favor.

"We weren't expecting the wind," Collins said. "It pretty much came out of nowhere."

At the end of regulation, the score was tied 1-1 after a Wes Wooten goal.

In the overtime period, the wind remained in LeBlond's favor and with under a minute remaining, the Eagles put in the game-winning goal.

"We had the ball over 50 percent of the time," Collins said. "We had a lot of opportunities, we just didn't come through."

With two games remaining before districts (Lafayette tonight and Cameron Tuesday), the 'Hounds do not feel worried about their chances in districts.

"We have a good chance of doing well," Collins said. "It just depends on which team shows up. If the team that we have the potential to be shows up I believe we have a good chance to finish at or near the top."

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## Spoofhounds in short

### Three Spoofhounds make Missouri all-region teams

Senior pitcher Talina Canon and junior catcher Hallie Blackney made the first-team all-region softball team. Junior outfielder Hilary Reynolds was not too far behind, making the second-team all region team.

Canon led the MEC in strikeouts this year with 190. Blackney finished the season with a .467 batting average while Reynolds finished with a .361 batting average and a .400 on base percentage.

The three helped lead the 'Hounds to a MEC conference title this season before losing in districts to Lafayette.

### Girls finish fourth in MEC, ready for state meet

The 'Hound cross country teams

competed in the MEC championship Tuesday. The girls finished fourth in the team standings behind Smithville, Platte County and Benton, while the boys did not place because they had only one runner.

Carol Sutton was the top girl finisher, placing eighth, Katie Sudoff also ran well finishing 14th in the meet.

The lone runner for the boys was Chris Kinman, who finished the 3.1 mile course in a shade over 22 minutes; he finished 37th in the race.

"I feel that Carol Sutton and Chris Kinman have done a great job of leading the team this year and I don't expect anything to change," head coach Mark Anderson said.

Results of district competition, which took place Wednesday, were not available at press time.

The state meet will take place Nov. 9 in Jefferson City.



PHOTO BY JOE KNUST/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER  
Junior Marc Meade (17) runs into freshman Morgan Grudzinski (23) and sophomore Evan Wilmes during a practice drill Tuesday. The 'Hounds head into districts having outscored their last two opponents 73-15.

## Maryville football feature

# Districts begin Friday in Cameron

By COLE YOUNG  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

When Maryville Spoofhound fans looked at their football schedules in late August they noticed a major change. No longer listed at the very bottom of their schedules was a matchup with perennial powerhouse Platte County.

Due to the realignment of the districts, the Missouri State High School Activities Association (MSHAA) placed Maryville in a district with Cameron, Chillicothe and Savannah.

The 'Hounds at 6-1 would appear to be the favorite in the eyes of most, however head coach John Pelzer does not see it this way.

"I wouldn't say we're the favorites," Pelzer said. "The only way we're the favorite is if we're the co-favorite with Chillicothe. Everyone is 0-0 going into districts. The records can be thrown out. Lots of times you will see a whole new team when districts start."

Going into the district opener with Cameron, the 'Hounds are without Bryce Buholt and Josh Wilmes. Wilmes is out for the remainder of the season, but Buholt's return is still in question.

"We're going to have to wait and see," Pelzer said. "He's still in a moon boot,

when the doctor says he can play though, he will."

The 'Hounds travel to Cameron to face the Dragons Tuesday. Cameron, 0-9 last season, has improved this year and picked up their first MEC win under coach Roy Harden. After the win over Smithville, the Dragons' record stands at 3-4.

"Cameron is much improved over last year," Pelzer said. "They have a potent running attack and run a lot of misdirection plays."

The following week, the 'Hounds face Savannah. Though their record is 2-5, the Savages always get up for the game with the 'Hounds due to the rivalry that has grown.

"The two schools are so close together, this game has turned into a pretty good rivalry," Pelzer said.

Savannah primarily runs the option offense and are hard hitting on defense.

Should both Chillicothe and Maryville win their first two games, their matchup will be for the district title. The Hornets' only loss came earlier in the year at the hands of Platte County.

"Chillicothe is a solid team all the way around," Pelzer said. "They are a traditionally solid program."

The winner of this game will move on to the playoffs and will likely face Platte County in the sectional round.

"We feel good about where we are as a team right now," Pelzer said. "We wish we had Bryce (Buholt) and Josh (Wilmes) back, but we are going to do the best with what we have. Going into Cameron, we have a lot of momentum and are excited."

## District opponent capsules

**Chillicothe Hornets**  
Record: 5-1, 3-1 in the MEC  
When they play the 'Hounds: Nov. 8  
The bottom line: The Hornets start districts tied for second in the MEC with the 'Hounds. They are led by running back Matt Prout.

**Cameron Dragons**  
Record: 3-4, 1-3 in the MEC  
When they play the 'Hounds: Oct. 25  
The bottom line: The Dragons are coming off a 21-10 win over Smithville. They have been shut out twice this season.

**Savannah Savages**  
Record: 2-5, 1-3 in the MEC  
When they play the 'Hounds: Nov. 1  
The bottom line: The Savages enjoy to run the option. They are led by quarterback Chris Holt.

## Maryville football

# 'Hounds down Benton 39-7

By MARK EUSTON  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The 'Hounds again rolled over a lesser opponent Friday night when they faced Benton and won 39-7.

From the onset of the game it was clear that the 'Hounds were not playing the quality of football that they were capable of.

"Obviously it wasn't our best game of the year but we came out with what was important, and that was the win," running back Brant Gregg said.

The team made a few mistakes early; one of which was a muffed punt, which gave Benton the ball inside the Maryville 40-yard line.

"We had some miscues early on special teams, but the punt return for a touchdown really made up for that," head coach John Pelzer said.

Quarterback Ryan Holman had arguably his best game of the year, rushing for more than 100 yards and three touchdowns and throwing for 161 yards. Holman broke off touchdown runs of 47 and 79 yards in the game, along with a one-yard touchdown dive.

"I had a good night, but a lot of that success can be attributed to the offensive line, they did a great job tonight," Holman said. "They gave me plenty of time to throw and they did a great job of opening up holes."

Gregg also contributed to the 'Hounds offense by catching three passes from Holman for 31 yards and surpassing 100 yards in total yards.

The offense was able to roll for almost 300 yards on the ground. The running game has been a mainstay of the 'Hound offense for the entire season.

"The backs have done a great job this year, but also a lot of the running success comes from the offensive line," Pelzer said. "They have done a great job this year."

The defense again played big allowing only seven points in the game. Adam Welch made an interception, and defensive back Evan Wilmes added nine tackles in the game. Defensive back Derek Garrett added a touchdown on a punt return to cap off the 'Hounds' scoring.

"We didn't play a great game this week," Pelzer said. "We did it a couple other times this year, but you don't want to see it this late in the season. However, it is good to know that we can play a game where we don't play great and still win."

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## Maryville volleyball

# Spikers fall to one of state's best squads

By JASON MEHRHOFF  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The 'Hounds looked to overtake the defending third-place volleyball team in the state Tuesday. Maryville led the first part of the match, but as the match wore on, the 'Hounds did not have enough and lost to Fairfax in two sets, 15-6 and 15-2.

"We played with them (Fairfax) and we were even ahead of them," head coach Hope Pappert said. "I was proud of the way we played with them. Most teams are crushed 15-0 or 15-1."

The 'Hounds had played Fairfax two times prior to the meeting Tuesday and had lost both times.

Maryville might have lost to the 24-

2-1 Fairfax team, but they did have some bright spots in the match.

"Laura Prokes has been playing really well hitting and setting," Pappert said. "She didn't really hit until last year and she did her best to get the sets even with poor serve receiving."

Another player who stepped up was Akiko Kono.

"She (Kono) had several digs and she was diving all over the place," Pappert said. "She had a phenomenal game."

Cindy Austin and Mallory Herring lead the team in kills with two each. Herring also added three blocks and one assisted block in the cause.

Next for the 'Hounds is conference

opponent Smithville. Maryville hopes to get one more win tonight before heading into districts against Benton. The 'Hounds are 1-1 with Benton this season.

"The keys to beating Benton are serve receiving, ace serving and kills," Pappert said.

Pappert hopes her team's frame of mind will lead them far in the postseason.

"We get to start the season all over," Pappert said. "You get to play districts until you get beat. If we want to continue we have to play well. We have the ability and the talent to beat anyone in the district."

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Fan Plan							Home games
	TODAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Northwest football			Truman State 1 p.m.				
Northwest volleyball		Southwest Baptist 7 p.m.	C.M.S.U. 11 a.m.				
Northwest cross country			MIAA champ. Joplin 10:30 a.m.				
Northwest soccer				Missouri Rolla 1 p.m.			
Maryville football			Cameron 2 p.m.				
Maryville volleyball	Smithville 7 p.m.					Districts TBA	
Maryville boys' soccer	Lafayette 4 p.m.					Cameron 4 p.m.	
Maryville cross country							

# PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

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The freshman scored the lone goal in the 'Cats' 4-1 loss to Truman in soccer action. It was the first Northwest goal in the team's history against Truman.

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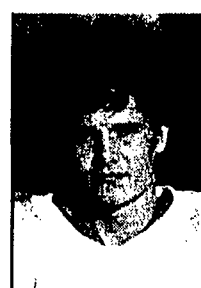


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The senior had yet another big game for the Hounds. In a 39-7 win over Benton, Holman threw for 118 yards and ran for another 161. He had three TDs.



Ryan Holman

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## Stroller seeks religious choices

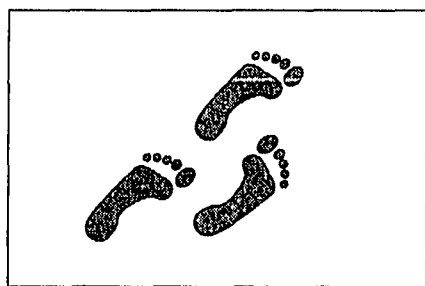
While I passed one of the bulletin boards on campus, I saw a variety of flyers for numerous Christian organizations. The Christian Campus House, Campus Crusade for Christ and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes all have postings. And I thought to myself, where are the other religious organizations?

In what has become a proverbial shopping mall of organized religions, have we forgotten Judaism, Islam, Hinduism or even Buddhism? These religions aren't your "hide in the basement to escape persecution" religions either.

They all have millions of followers, yet there is no outlet for students to explore different beliefs on campus. Granted we are a small, Division II school, in conservative Missouri, but that doesn't mean we should be sheltered.

Judaism is the oldest of the world's four most recognized monotheistic religions. For those of you who don't know, monotheistic means the followers worship one god. It's also the smallest, with only about 12 million followers around the world. Yeah, I said smallest and 12 million in the same sentence.

Islam is the world's second most followed religion with 1.2 billion followers worldwide. The Islamic faith provides a social and legal system and governs things like family life, law and order, ethics,



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dress, and cleanliness, as well as religious ritual and observance.

Hinduism, with about 750 million worldwide, is the name given to a family of religions and cultures that began and still flourish in India. However, Hinduism isn't perceived as a religion to Hindus themselves. Hinduism is part of their existence or a complete approach to life. They believe that a supreme divinity is present in everything, the soul repeatedly goes through reincarnation and that karma exists. Karma is a force that determines the quality of each life, depending on how well one behaved in a previous life.

Buddhism is a complex religious and philosophical tradition that dates back more than 2,500 years ago. With 500 million observers around the globe, Buddhists have gained popularity with their

rational beliefs, possibility of a spiritual guide and opportunity for personal transformation.

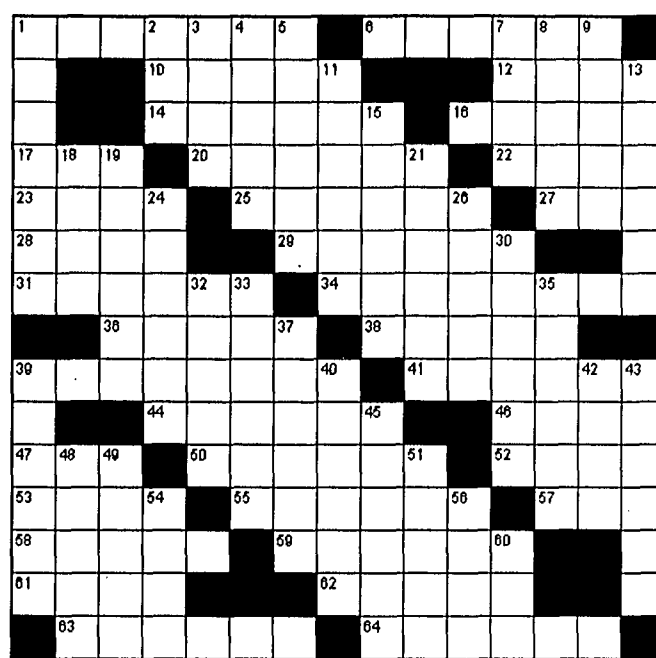
Some of the humanities classes at Northwest explore different religions, but most just touch on them. There needs to be more in-depth analysis of the impact of eastern and western religions and how they affect society in general. Maybe the University can hold a roundtable discussion or a forum on different religions. Bring in leaders of churches or coalitions from the Kansas City area to speak. More information about what's out there is important, especially in a time when acts of terrorism are done in the name of a "god."

My very brief "run-down" of other religions is hardly sufficient. If I've made you curious you should do a little research at the library and talk to some humanities professors.

Maybe next time I'm strolling around campus, I won't be inundated with flyers for just one religious organization. I'll have come to a University that truly wants to provide students a diverse education and wants them to leave unsheltered and open to all the possibilities that exist.

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## Weekly Crossword



### Across

1. Lightweight vacuum cleaner
6. Parades
10. Missile housings
12. Snub-nosed boat
14. Speculator
16. Finnish
17. Vehicle control center
20. Milk curdler
22. Weeps convulsively
23. Beer-like beverages
25. Busted
27. Rounded
28. Decamp
29. Inconceivably

### Down

1. Select unsuitable actors
2. Near or about (suffix)
3. Striver
4. Rot-resistant wood
5. Center of brandy-producing area
7. Piece of music
8. Measure of

### 59. 2000 pounds (3,3)

61. Condescending person
62. Long-shanked
63. Changeless
64. Pistol

### alcoholic strength

9. Dance
11. Older
13. Male form of address
15. Arm of the Indian Ocean (3,3)
18. Dipsomaniac
19. Middle Eastern city
21. Synagogue
24. Saved
26. Parliaments
30. Relating to an intestinal component
32. More decent
33. Small piece of cloth
35. Harness lines
37. Shagiri-la
39. Preliminary designs
40. Engine inventor
42. Look furtively
43. Attempts
45. Nearer to the end
48. Tales
49. John —, "the apostle of the Indians"
51. Be relaxed (3,2)
54. Rounded subdivision of a bodily organ
56. Tracks
60. Major financial and cultural center

Answers can be found on this page

## on the edge

### Witch facts:

■ On Sept. 22, 1692, the last eight of the witches were hung at Salem Village, Mass. Five weeks later, the court that condemned them was dissolved; 265 years later, the state of Massachusetts issued an apology.

■ In Sweden at Easter, children dress up like old witches with brooms. They travel from house to house collecting coins or sweets. This custom dates back to when the Swedish people believed that there were witches who rode on broomsticks to Blakulla Mountain to meet the devil.

■ The Norwegians believed witches came out on Christmas Eve and stole brooms for riding.

■ In Scotland, witches were suspected of assuming the form of red butterflies.

■ In Britain, witches were once said to disguise themselves as cats. Many people refused to talk near a cat, for fear that a witch would learn their secrets.

■ British mythology attributed bay leaves with the power to ward witchcraft.

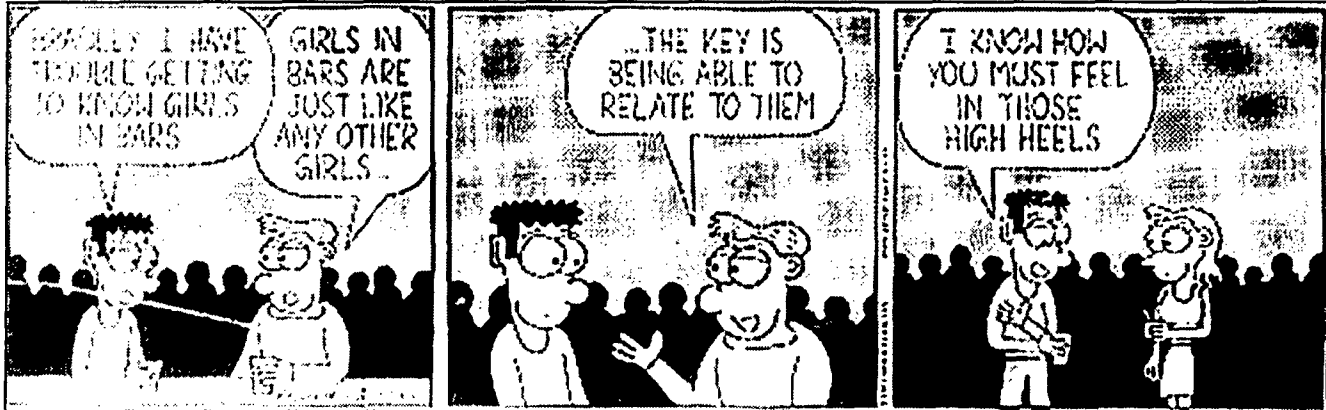
■ In England, the last execution of a witch took place in 1712.

■ In England, a Witchcraft Act of the early 1700s identified black cats as dangerous animals to be shunned.

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## Girls & Sports

By Justin Borus and Andrew Feinstein



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Northwest senior cornerback Marcel Smith  
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## NOT EVEN CLOSE

It was supposed to be Clash of the Champions,  
instead Bearcats dominate Gorillas from opening gun

By CLARK GRELL  
SPORTS EDITOR

For the past few years, Northwest has had to pull off comeback victories over Pittsburg State University. That was not the case Thursday night in a 29-7 defeat of the Gorillas at Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City, Mo.

This time, it was the Gorillas finding themselves having to come from behind.

There was one small problem, though.

The Gorillas never came back.

Four turnovers and an inability to put together any scoring drives ruined the Gorillas' chances of beating the Bearcats for the first time since 1996.

On the other

### Inside

■ Who earned Missouriian game balls? Find out on 2B.

■ What was the key to offense and defensive success? Find out on 2B.

■ What was the key play in this week's victory? Check out 3B.

■ Who was the security guard that made the bone crunching tackle? Check out 3B.



PHOTO BY BILL KNUST/ASSIGNMENT EDITOR

Northwest junior cornerback Darryl Ridley hangs on to take down Pittsburg State running back Josh Shay. Ridley had five tackles on the night.

hand, the Bearcats were able to execute their offensive game plan.

"Our offensive line really did a great job and we did a great job on offense of mixing it up," head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. "We kept them off-balanced all night."

Northwest came out firing, scoring on their first possession of the game, a nine-play, 80-yard drive that

was capped off by freshman running back Mitch Herring's 28-yard touchdown run.

"That first drive, I can't tell you how much that drive did, not just for our offense, but for our whole football team," Tjeerdsma said. "It just set the tone. I think it just set volumes

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### Ranting and Raving

'Cats dominate Gorillas,  
line gets it done in trenches

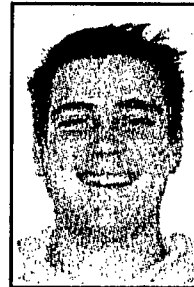
It was supposed to be The Clash of the Champions. It was a game featuring the conference champion 12-of-the-last-13 years.

It was anything but that; it was total domination.

Northwest put on its most complete performance of the season as it rolled to a 29-7 victory. Everywhere from the line of scrimmage to the skill positions were controlled by Northwest.

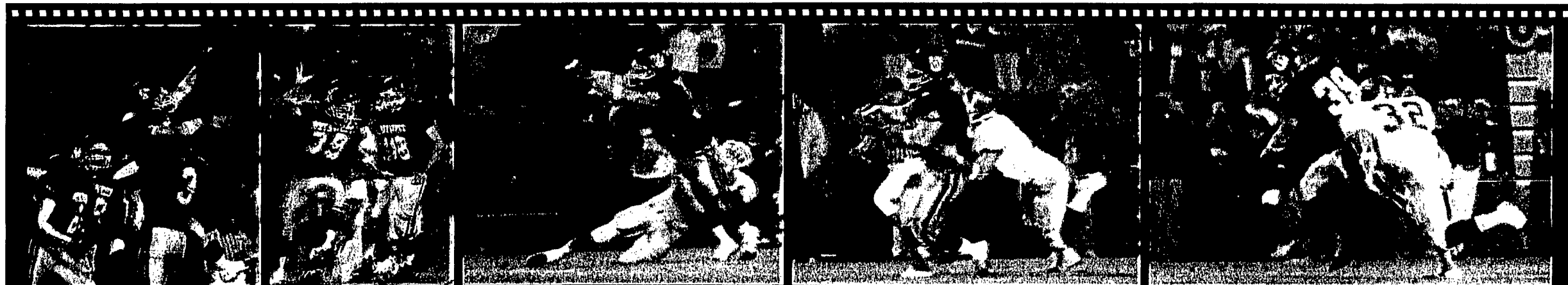
Running backs Mitch Herring and Geromy Scaggs had huge holes to run through and quarterback John McMenamin had all day to throw.

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BILL KNUST  
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### -THE RUN-



Redshirt freshman Mitch Herring's first quarter touchdown run.

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NORTHWEST 29  
PITT STATE 7

## GAME STATS

## SCORE BY QUARTER

Bearcats	6	13	10	0
Gorillas	0	0	0	7

## First quarter

NW - Herring 28 run (Ibarra kick blocked) 11:12

## Second quarter

NW - McMenamin 2 run (2-point failed) 7:11

NW - A. Otte 12 pass from McMenamin (Ibarra kick)

## Third quarter

NW - Herring 1 run (Ibarra kick) 10:20

NW - Ibarra 40 FG, 3:32

## Fourth quarter

PSU - Hight 47 INT return (Chappell kick) 2:41

Total elapsed time - 2:41  
Attendance - 26, 695

## TEAM STATISTICS

NW	PSU
23 First downs	10
40 Rush attempts	30
154 Net yards rushing	87
313 Net yards passing	52
38 Pass attempts	19
29 Pass completions	8
467 Total yards	139
41 Total return yards	102
4-34 Punt-avg.	6-37.7
1-0 Fumbles-lost	2-1
9-65 Penalties-yards	3-20
1-6 Sacks-by-yards	0-0
38:04 Time of possession	21:56

## INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

**Rushing:** NW, Herring 23-109, Scaggs 12-45, McMenamin 1-2, Shafer 1-2, Roberts 1-1; PSU, Shay 10-53, Philpot 15-30, Hankins 4-3, Gates 1-1  
**Passing:** NW, McMenamin 29-38-1 313; PSU, Philpot 8-19-3 52  
**Receiving:** NW, Rector 9-143, Stewart 4-74, A. Otte 4-27, Burke 3-31, Herring 3-4, Scaggs 2-12, J. Otte 1-9, Shafer 1-6, Findley 1-5, A. Rector 1-2; PSU, McCoy 3-29, Untereker 2-17, Rudolph 2-10, Shay 1- (minus) 4.  
**Punting:** NW, Mathews 4-136; PSU, Lutz 6-226  
**All returns:** NW, J. Rector 3-14, Helms 1-15, Miller 2-0, Lamberson 1-12, Tysdahl 1-0; PSU, Taylor 1-26, Hankins 1-2, Hight 1-47, Neville 5-74

## INJURY UPDATE

■ Junior offensive lineman Ken Eboh is probable for this week's game at Truman with a sprained left ankle.  
■ Junior strong safety Gabe Middleton is probable for this week's game with a slight shoulder separation.  
■ Freshman free safety Pat Whitt is doubtful for this week's game with a sprained ankle.  
■ Junior quarterback T.J. Mandl is out for the season with a torn ACL.  
■ Freshman offensive lineman Nick Tones is out for the season with a knee injury.  
■ Sophomore defensive lineman Jason Yeager is out for the season after having two knee surgeries.

## AFCA Division II Top 25

School	Last week
1. Grand Valley State (6-0)	1
2. Valdosta State (7-0)	2
3. Carson-Newman (7-0)	3
4. Northwest (7-0)	5
5. UC Davis (5-1)	6
6. Central Mo. State (7-0)	8
7. Texas A&M-Kingsville (5-1)	7
8. Central Washington (8-0)	9
9. Saginaw Valley (6-1)	4
10. Indiana (Pa.) (7-1)	10
11. Tarleton State (6-1)	12
12. Catawba (5-1)	13
13. Northern Colorado (6-1)	16
14. C.W. Post (7-0)	15
15. Tuskegee (6-1)	17
16. Nebraska-Kearney (6-1)	20
17. Tusculum (6-1)	21
18. Minnesota-Duluth (7-0)	24
19. East Stroudsburg (5-1)	22
20. Pittsburg State (5-2)	11
21. St. Cloud State (6-1)	NR
22. Emporia State (6-1)	NR
23. Central Arkansas (5-2)	14
24. Harding (Ark.) (6-1)	18
25. (tie) Bentley (7-0)	NR
25. (tie) Fayetteville State (6-1)	NR

Dropped out: Chadron State (5-2), Western Washington (4-2), North Dakota (4-3)

School	MIAA	Overall
Northwest	5-0	7-0
Central Mo. State	5-0	7-0
Emporia State	4-1	6-1
Truman State	3-2	5-2
Pittsburg State	3-2	5-2
Missouri Western	2-3	4-3
Missouri Southern	2-3	4-3
Washburn	1-4	1-6
Southwest Baptist	0-5	1-6
Missouri-Rolla	0-5	0-7

## Thursday's score

Northwest 29, Pittsburg State 7

## Saturday's scores

CMSU 55, Washburn 21  
Missouri Western 28, Baptist 0  
Emporia State 40, Missouri-Rolla 7  
Truman State 28, MSSC 14

## Saturday's games

Northwest at Truman State, 1 p.m.  
Missouri Western at Washburn, 1 p.m.  
MSSC at Central Mo. State, 2 p.m.  
Southwest Baptist at Emporia State, 2 p.m.  
Missouri-Rolla at Pittsburg State, 2 p.m.

## By the numbers

0: times Pittsburg State has lost back-to-back games in the MIAA since joining the conference in 1989.  
8: number of quarters the Gorillas have gone without scoring an offensive touchdown.  
9: number of quarters in a row the Bearcat defense has gone without giving up a touchdown.



Senior running back Geromy Scaggs finds a hole in the Pittsburg State defense with the blocking help of junior fullback Sean Shafer. The run was part of the Bearcats' 18-play scoring drive in the second quarter.

## Northwest offense feature

Bearcat offense dominates  
Pitt State defense in victory

By MARK EUSTON  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

The Clash of the Champions was supposed to be a shootout between two of the best offenses in Division II football, but from the start of the game Northwest was the only team able to get their guns out of their holsters.

"We wanted to come out and play fast and have a good tempo against these guys and we did, it really paid off," running back Mitch Herring said. "We got up big on these guys and never stepped down." The first drive of the game was a precursor to what would happen the rest of the night. The 'Cats were able to march down the field with little resistance on their first drive which lasted nine plays and 80 yards. The drive was capped off by a 28-yard Mitch Herring touchdown run.

"Anytime that you can do that you set the defense on their heels and especially when you can mix it up and they don't know exactly where it is coming from," offensive coordinator Jim Svoboda said. "Anytime that you can get positive yards in that fashion you are really gonna set the tone for the game."

The drive included several wide receiver screens and quick slants to Jamaica Rector who caught nine

passes for 143 yards.

"We knew that their defense was obviously going to be jacked up and coming off the ball and it was a way to keep them off balance and take advantage of that," Svoboda said.

On the Bearcats' second scoring drive, the offense ate up nearly nine minutes of the clock while running 18 plays. The drive finally ended when quarterback John McMenamin scored on an option from two yards out.

"That drive was great," head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. "When you can keep the ball from them you are going to win games against Pitt State."

The offense was able to thrive on a diet of running plays and short pass routes for the majority of the first half, with the exception being a 30-yard completion to Rector late in the first quarter.

"Pitt State's defense is really built on not giving up the big play," Svoboda said. "You pick your spots when you try and throw deep, if you try to make a living on it you are going to have a lot of incompletions."

In the game, the offense rushed for more than 150 yards and threw for more than 300 yards, and looked as if they could not be stopped by a traditionally stingy Pitt State defense. Much of that success could be attributed to the offensive line, which did not allow a sack all night

## Northwest defense feature

## Gorillas run into brick wall, experienced defense

Bearcat 'D' allows no points, creates four turnovers in win against Philpot, explosive Pittsburg State offense

By CLARK GRELL  
SPORTS EDITOR

Dominance: That about sums up Northwest's defensive performance against Pittsburg State Thursday.

The Bearcats allowed only 139 yards of total offense against the 11th ranked Gorillas. Pitt State had 10 possessions in the game. Those 10 possessions resulted in four turnovers and six punts.

As a team, the Bearcats had 10 tackles for a loss, two of them by senior defensive tackle Seth Giddings.

As one of the nation's top running teams, the Gorillas were held to 87 yards rushing, 140 yards below their season average.

"We've been playing very well, there is no doubt about it," head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. "The last three or four ball games, we've really stopped people on the run."

One of the reasons for the improvements of the rushing defense is the dominance at the linebacker position this year, Tjeerdsma said.

"We got a bunch of linebackers that have experience this year," he said. "Last year they were all inexperience."

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Defensive coordinator Scott Bostwick agrees the experience at defense is part of the success of this year's team.

"We're just a year older," he said. "The sophomores are juniors now, the redshirt freshmen are now sophomores and that makes a difference. A year's experience helps and we are just playing better."

That experience paid off at Arrowhead Stadium.

The defense created four Pitt State turnovers, three of them interceptions.

Pitt State turned the ball over on their first three possessions of the second half, including the first play of the third quarter, a fumble on a bad exchange from Gorilla quarterback Neal Philpot that was recovered by junior defensive end Josh Honey.

That turnover put a damper on any chances the Gorillas had on making a comeback. Senior free safety Ryan Miller picked off two passes in the game, one in the second quarter and the other late in the third quarter.

"In the season, I wanted to start



Sophomore wide receiver Jamaica Rector had nine catches on the night, two of them going for 42 and 28 yards in the first half.

and helped on two rushing touchdowns.

"It was just the great preparation that we had by the starting five, and we knew coming into this game that Pitt State always has a good defensive line," senior offensive left tackle Seth Wand said. "That is the main part of their defense and it was just great focus by me and the other guys on the offensive line."

The Bearcats converted 12 of 18 third down conversions in the game. They converted four third downs on the 18-play scoring drive in the second quarter. The 'Cats had 23 first downs compared to 10 for Pitt State.

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## SUMMARY from 1C

## 'Cats prevent Gorilla comeback in KC

about whether we were ready to play or not."

Pittsburg State, known for its ability to score on the first possession of the game, stalled near midfield and was forced to punt.

The Gorillas faced a third and two at the Northwest 44 on the drive, but senior defensive tackle Seth Giddings found his way through the Gorilla offensive line and tackled Pitt State running back Anthony Hankins for a loss of three yards.

Both teams would exchange punts until Northwest's next scoring drive, which started late in the first quarter.

In one of its most impressive scoring drives of the season, Northwest used up 8 minutes and 48 seconds, an 18-play, 87-yard drive. This time, it was senior quarterback John McMenamin doing the honors, scoring on a two-yard option run to the left side of the hashes.

"I was pretty surprised he took it himself," said Pitt State junior defensive tackle Aaron McConnell.

On the next Northwest drive, McMenamin showed why he is one of the best passers in the MIAA.

He connected on two passes with freshman wide receiver Adam Otte, a 21-yard pass to sophomore wide receiver Jamaica Rector and a 30-yard pass to senior wide receiver Mark Stewart after he eluded two Gorilla defenders.

"I was glad he got away from the sack," Stewart said. "We see him in trouble, we just try to help him out. I was glad he got me the ball. He came up and apologized that he didn't lead me, but I was like 'I don't care, at least you didn't get sacked.'"

The following play, McMenamin found Adam Otte in the end zone for 12 yards and the score.

With 1:15 remaining until halftime, Northwest had a 19-0 lead.

The Gorillas saw their chances slip away when they fumbled on the first

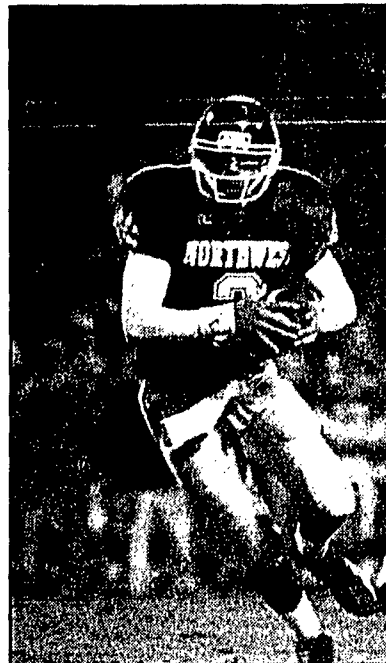


PHOTO BY BILL KNUST/ASSIGNMENT EDITOR  
Senior quarterback John McMenamin turns the corner on the option to score the 'Cats' second touchdown of the game.

play of the second half.

Northwest capitalized on Herring's second touchdown of the game.

In unusual fashion, Northwest breezed through the Gorillas. Before this game, the largest margin of victory for the 'Cats over the Gorillas was 24, when they won 24-0 in 1976. At the time, Pitt State was not in the MIAA.

Pitt State only managed 139 total yards of offense in the game. Pitt State's rushing game, known for its execution, was held in check. They only managed 87 rushing yards.

"After we saw what Emporia did (beating Pitt State 13-3) we knew it was possible to shut them down," senior defensive tackle Justin Bowser said.

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## RANTING from 1C

## Lines get job done in Arrowhead victory

I am going to start where the credit is rightly due, the big daddies up front. On both sides of the ball the line was spectacular. The offensive line helped rack-up 467 total yards of offense against a defense that was giving up 227.8 yards.

The defense was equally impressive. Pitt State's offense is about ball control and pounding it down opponents' throats. It is something they have not had trouble with in previous years.

This year was different though. Northwest allowed Pitt State to gain only 139 total yards. Pitt State averages 309 yards per game.

What helped the Bearcats was the fact that they jumped out to a big lead early. They forced Pitt State to throw and that allowed the defense to come after quarterback Neal Philpot.

What a difference a year makes with this defense. They have gained so much experience and anyone can tell this group is much more confident than last year.

If you need evidence, look at the line-backers. Inexperienced and picked on consistently last year, this group is a force to be reckoned with this season. John Edmonds, Andy Cregar, Adam Crowe,

Troy Thysdahl, Grant Sutton and Chad Bostwick fly around in there. They get to the ball, something they did very little of last season.

The offense and McMenamin have found a rhythm and Herring has given the 'Cats a running game they lacked the first three games.

The receiving core is top notch. Jamaica Rector, Andre Rector, John Otte and Mark Stewart give the Bearcats the best receiving crew in Division II. If anyone wants to argue that come find me in Wells Hall.

In a column earlier this season, I challenged the team to step up and they have. For four weeks now they have put teams away and developed a killer instinct.

This team has a completely different feel than last year's team. I believe this team thinks it can win it all. I don't think you will hear them say it, but I think it is in the back of their minds.

With four tough games ahead a lot can happen, just look at last season. But I have a feeling things are going to end a little differently this year.

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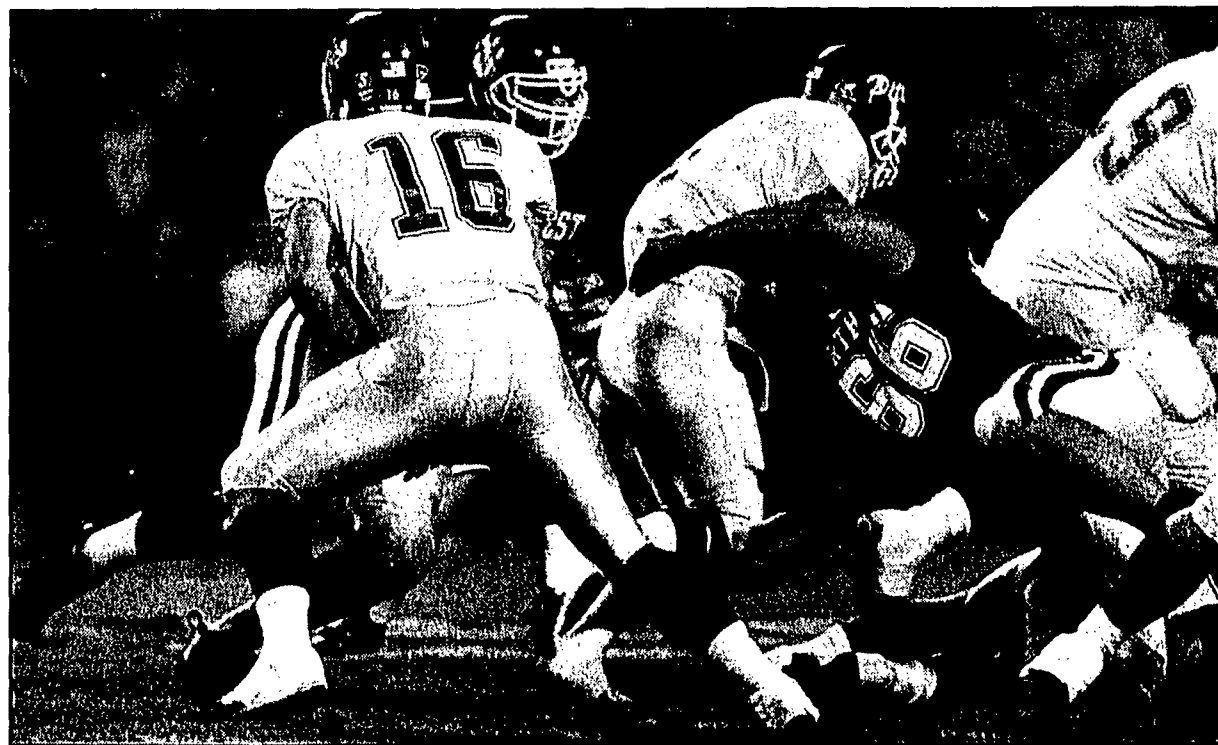


PHOTO BY BILL KNUST/ASSIGNMENT EDITOR  
Northwest senior defensive tackle Justin Bowser puts a stop to Pittsburg State fullback Josh Shay's chances of reaching the line of scrimmage in the first quarter. The Gorillas managed only 47 yards rushing in the first half.

off getting interceptions early," Miller said. "I guess I had to wait until there was 27,000 people to get them."

The turnovers were one thing, but it was the defensive pressure that gave the Gorillas fits.

Philpot was held to 30 yards on 15 carries in the loss. Pitt State's starting tailback Anthony Hankins was held to three yards on four carries.

As a team, the Gorillas averaged 2.9 yards a carry.

"I really can't put my thumb on it," Philpot said. "They gave us a different

look than what we were preparing for. We couldn't do some things that we wanted to try. Like I said, I really can't put my thumb on it."

Strong safety Damienn Chumley, who led the team in tackles with six, said keeping Philpot in check was one of the biggest factors of the game.

"He was a key for us," he said. "We put in three or four new blitzes strictly to get to the quarterback. Coach Bostwick told us all week, 'I don't care what happens, if he runs the ball,

throw the ball, I want you to get your hands on No. 16 (Philpot)."

This coming after last season, when Philpot, as a freshman, rushed for 209 yards and two touchdowns against the Bearcats.

It looked like Philpot might repeat his performance after picking up six yards on his first carry of the game. It ended up being one of the only decent runs of the game that he got.

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# Game sets new D II record: 26,695

Attendance at Arrowhead breaks record dating back to 1977 when Boise State played host to UNLV

By PETE GUTSCHENRITTER  
CHIEF REPORTER

As droves and droves of people came through the turnstiles at Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City, Mo., a person could only guess as to what the final attendance would be.

But when the dust settled and all the ticket stubs had been counted, a record crowd of 26,695 fans made the trip to Kansas City Thursday.

The previous known record for the most attendance for a Division II football game was 20,575, which was set Sept. 24, 1977, in a game between Boise State and University of Nevada-Las Vegas. Both programs are now in Division I.

According to reports earlier this week, a 1988 game between Central Florida and Troy State (Division II teams at the time, now in Division I) drew a crowd of 31,719.

However, that number was never made official.

Nevertheless, one thing is for sure; this was the largest crowd to ever see the Bearcats play.

The east and west sides of the stadium were full with the exception of the upper-deck.

"We sold 9,000 tickets in Maryville but I'm sure we had anywhere from 10,000 to 15,000 fans altogether," said sports information director Andy Seeley. "I'm sure they had a great time. We couldn't have asked for a better night."



Boise State and University of Nevada-Las Vegas's attendance record was erased Thursday night at Arrowhead Stadium when more than 26,000 Bearcat and Gorilla fans showed up. Nearly 7,000 tickets were sold between Tuesday and opening kickoff.

President Dean Hubbard said it was a great night in Northwest football history.

"There is no question that this is the biggest following we've ever had,"

he said. "The team played so well on both sides of the ball. Both teams were good sports and it was just a great game."

Hubbard said he'd like to see the

team in another high-profile venue soon.

"The next big game I'd like to see them play in is in Florence, Ala. for the national championship," he said.

Senior quarterback John McMenamin said he enjoyed the big crowd.

"That's something I'm never going to forget," he said. "The crowd was amazing for both teams."

Numerous times, players had a difficult time listening to play calls and signals because of the noise level created by fans.

Head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said the turnout was so good he didn't want to let the crowd down.

"We had such a great crowd," Tjeerdsma said. "I was just like, 'we don't want to lose this game,' and I felt a lot of pressure was on me."

Seeley said a lot of people helped organize the event.

"Dr. (Bob) Boerigter gets a lot of the credit," Seeley said. "The entire athletic staff came together to make this happen."

Even though the game beat the previous record by 6,120 fans, there are currently no plans to make a return trip to Arrowhead Stadium but "never say never," Seeley said.

Seeley said it would take away weekend revenues if the Northwest/Pitt State matchup was played away from Maryville and Pittsburg, Kan., year in and year out.

As the majority of Bearcat fans hung around to enjoy the rest of the game, the same could not be said about Gorilla fans.

Late in the third quarter, after senior free safety Ryan Miller picked off Pitt State quarterback Neal Philpot, many Gorilla fans started filing out of the stadium. By the fourth quarter, the north side of the stadium was scattered with spots of crimson and gold.

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Hail to the Victor

## Arrowhead game proves Bearcats have best fans

I can easily say that the best fans in all of Division II showed up Thursday night to witness the Clash of the Champions.

That's right, all 14,000 (approximately) of them, all wearing green.

After witnessing the scenes that occurred in Kansas City, Mo., I would like any other school to tell me that their fans are better. I dare anybody.

It all started with the drive down there on Interstate 29, which was flocked with cars from Maryville.

Then came the parking lots, which were full of fans of both teams. But, as I walked through the lots, it was by far dominated by Bearcat fans.

Bearcat fans were having a great time throwing footballs around, eating hotdogs and hamburgers and drinking beer. As for Pittsburg State fans ... well ... they were drinking beer and partaking in what looked to be a family reunion celebration.

The Bearcats fans acted like they had tailgated before.

Game time hit and fans throughout the stadium were showing their school colors the best they can.

It does not get any better than some fans with 'Edmonds' painted on their bodies, the Bowser T-shirts and the signs that were being held up around Arrowhead.

Before the game, I could tell the fans were going to make this game unforgettable. Sure, the game itself, no matter how it was played, was going to make the night special, but it was the noise generated by fans that made it all the better.

Then, late in the third quarter the best fans prevailed.

Literally seconds after Ryan Miller's interception late in the third quarter, the aisles on the Pitt State side had more people in them than the seats did. They were all heading for the exits.

Of course, these were Pitt State fans. They come from Pittsburg, Kan., where excuses are man's best friend.

I'm sure their excuse for leaving early was to beat the traffic, but in my opinion, they could not bare another moment of seeing their team get knocked around like small monkeys.

Sure, the game was out of reach, and like in a lot of stadiums, when the game is out of reach, fans do begin to leave, but this was a once-in-a-lifetime thing. They should have got their money's worth and stayed to enjoy the Arrowhead experience.

Why drive all the way to Kansas City to witness two and one-half quarters of football?

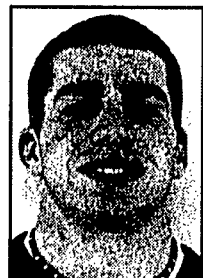
I think what the Gorilla fans did was a slap in the face to the coaches and players. Like I said, it happens. Fans leave games early when they are out of reach, but I think as a Pitt State player, it had to ruin the Arrowhead experience a little bit to see their side of the stadium empty at one point.

So what if the Gorillas are getting whipped? Just sit back and enjoy what these two programs did to make all of it come together.

Maybe if it was the other way around, with the Bearcats on the losing end, then maybe Northwest fans would have done the same thing. But, for some reason, Pitt State fans wanted to get out of there real fast as if they did not want to be seen.

By the fourth quarter, Arrowhead was taken over by the Bearcat football team and the Bearcats fans. That was our night; it was our stadium.

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### Key plays of the game

#### 1st Quarter

Northwest 1st and 10 at the NW 38  
Freshman running back Mitch Herring breaks outside and rushes for 15 yards on the Bearcats' first possession of the game.

Northwest 3rd and 2 at the Pitt 28  
Herring breaks through the Gorilla front line and runs over two Pitt State defenders on his way to a 28-yard touchdown run to make the score 6-0.

Pittsburg State 3rd and 2 at the NW 44

Pittsburg State running back Anthony Hankins runs into senior defensive tackle Seth Giddings on the Gorillas' first possession of the game. The play results in a Gorilla fourth down. The Gorillas were driving down the field before being forced to punt.

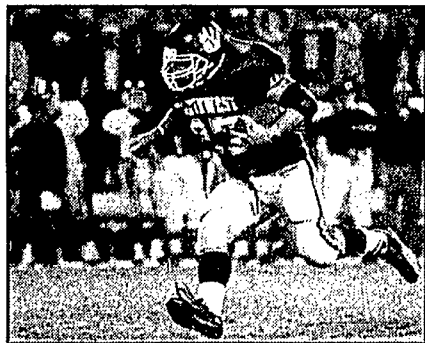


PHOTO BY BILL KNUST/ASSIGNMENT EDITOR  
Junior fullback Sean Shafar finds the open field on the first drive of the game.

#### 2nd Quarter

Northwest 3rd and 4 at the Pitt 47  
Senior quarterback John McMenamin finds senior running back Geromy Scaggs on a six-yard screen pass. The play keeps Northwest's fourth drive alive.

Northwest 3rd and 11 at the Pitt 42  
McMenamin finds sophomore wide receiver Jamaica Rector down field 28 yards. Rector's catch gives the Bearcats a new set of downs at the Pitt 14-yard line.

Northwest 3rd and goal at the Pitt 2  
McMenamin runs the option to the left side and avoids a Gorilla defender on his way for six. The two-point conversion failed, making it 12-0.

Pittsburg State 3rd and 15 at the Pitt 41

Philpot's pass is picked off by senior free safety Ryan Miller. It was the first turnover of the game, this on the Gorillas' fourth possession of the game.

Northwest 3rd and 12 at the Pitt 42

McMenamin is forced to scramble after two Gorilla defenders break through the offensive line. After avoiding one sack, McMenamin finds senior Mark Stewart open down field. McMenamin fires a 30-yard pass on the run.

Northwest 1st and 10 at the Pitt 12

McMenamin finds freshman Adam Otte in the end zone for the score. It would be McMenamin's only touchdown pass of the game. The score is now 19-0.

#### 3rd Quarter

Pittsburg State 1st and 10 at the Pitt 28  
After the second half kickoff, Pitt State looked to get back into the game, but a mishandle of the exchange between Philpot and Hankins forced the Gorillas' second turnover of the game and another scoring opportunity for the Bearcats.

Northwest 3rd and goal at the Pitt 1

Herring scores his second touchdown of the game, this one giving the Bearcats a 26-0 lead midway through the third quarter. Pittsburg State 2nd and 10 at the NW 39

Philpot is picked off for the second time in the game, this time by sophomore linebacker Troy Tysdahl. The ball was deflected by junior John Edmonds before it got into Tysdahl's hands.

Northwest 1st and 10 at the NW 36  
Right after the Tysdahl interception, McMenamin fires a pass to Rector for 42 yards. Rector was covered by two Gorilla defenders on the play.

Pittsburg State 1st and 24 at the Pitt 39

For the second straight possession, Philpot is picked off, this time by Miller, his second interception of the game. Although the fourth quarter was yet to be played, the play ended any hopes of a comeback by Pittsburg State

#### 4th Quarter

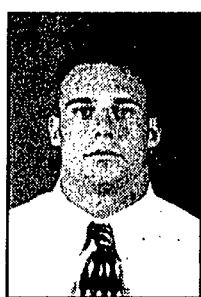
Northwest 2nd and 6 at the NW 37  
McMenamin hits senior tight end Chris Burke for 14 yards. The play gives the Bearcats a first down and allows them to run more time off the clock.

Northwest 3rd and 8 at the NW 48

McMenamin throws his only interception of the game. Pitt State's Aaron Hight is credited with the pick and the touchdown after returning it 48 yards. The score would prevent a shutout, 29-7.

### MISSOURIAN GAME BALLS

#### Sports editor Clark Grell's pick



# 27  
Free Safety  
Ryan Miller

The entire defense probably deserves this game ball because of their outstanding play. If one player has to get it, then it goes to senior Ryan Miller. His two interceptions prevented any chances of Pitt State getting back into the game.

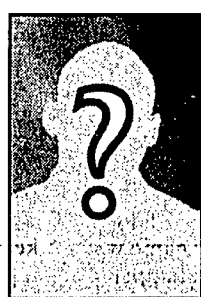
#### Assignment editor Bill Knust's pick



# 39  
Running back  
Mitch Herring

Aided by a huge game from the offensive line, the redshirt freshman picked a big stage to shine on. His first touchdown will go in the books as one of the best runs this year. His celebration was just as great. Pure emotion.

#### Chief reporter Pete Gutschenritter's pick



Kansas City  
Chiefs Security

My game ball goes to the security guard that laid the hit on the student that ran onto the field toward the end of the game. That is what makes all sporting events fun to watch and fun to be a part of. Can we get an instant replay on that?

## Tailgaters of all types flood Arrowhead

By MARK EUSTON  
MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Northwest and Pitt State fans young and old lined the parking lots of the Truman Sports Complex Thursday with a beer in one hand and food in the other, all ready to celebrate the once in a lifetime opportunity to view a Division II game at an NFL venue.

In the parking lot there were three different types of tailgaters, the first type was the student, who either rushed in from their 2:00 class or just skipped entirely.

This tailgater, most likely toting a small Webber grill with hotdogs bought from Wal-Mart on the way out of town was the most low-tech of the three. They, without fail, forgot something, whether it be the buns, the cheese, or even a spatula. They were there for the atmosphere.

"It (tailgating) really adds a lot to the game, especially for those who don't understand football as much," said Jonathan Hutchins, a Northwest student. "It's just fun to come out here and eat and hang out."

The second type of tailgater was the alumni who ate at their car. They most likely took the day off work and got together with former classmates.

These were the most experienced and best prepared tailgaters of the three. This scene usually involved a larger sized Webber grill, usually with bratwursts or Italian sausages. Some were even better prepared, with smokers towed behind



PHOTO BY JOE KNUST/CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER  
Tony Lehr cooks barbecue ribs in the Truman Sports Complex parking lot Thursday, hours before Northwest's showdown with Pitt State. Thousands of fans took part in pregame festivities.

their car that housed steaks, full sides of ribs and roasts.

The third type of tailgater was the alumni who weren't quite the culinary expert as the former. This was the couple who made their way to the alumni tent and let Gorrozo's, Papa John's and the Budweiser vendor do the work for them. They were able to relax at tables and watch the Sports Radio 810 pregame show.

"It really gives it (the game) an NFL

feel," said Jerry Wetzel, class of 1959. "It gives us a taste of big time football."

When the night was over and the parking lot had cleared all that was left was endless miles of parking lot covered in empty beer cans, food wrappers and the last few hot dogs that nobody wanted. Northwest fans got a taste of big time football and they left hungry for more.

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## Clash of the Champions boosts Bearcat apparel sales

By PETE GUTSCHENRITTER  
CHIEF REPORTER

As the Northwest football team marches on to a possible national championship, an abundance of green and white can be seen throughout the city of Maryville.

And with the large quantity of apparel being purchased, stores across the area are cashing in.

Students and residents alike flocked to the Bearcat Bookstore to get the gear they needed for the game at Arrowhead Stadium.

Cashier Terrilyn Wilson said the store was hit hard.

"It was kind of quiet the first two days but on Wednesday and Thursday it was just non-stop," Wilson said. "We were kind of ready for it because the manager ordered more sweatshirts but we weren't expecting a

real big flood of people."

Hats and sweatshirts were particularly popular, Bookstore Employee Mike Agnew said.

"This week we had people coming in Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and we sold the majority of our hooded sweatshirts; but we were definitely ready for it," Agnew said.

The Bookstore sold about 100 sweatshirts. Another place fans went to purchase apparel was The Student Body, located at 202 E. Third St. Owner Jim Goecken said business was good all week.

"We saw brisk sales and the snow helped because we sold a lot of stocking caps and sweatshirts," Goecken said. "It was definitely nice to see the green and white at Arrowhead."

Goecken also said that Clash of the Champions T-shirts sold well, too.

Overall, he said people visited his store for many reasons.

"We've been here for 10 years and I think people realize that we do a good job," Goecken said. "This town is good with supporting teams, both high school and college; and they're good with rallying around teams."

The local Hy-Vee is also taking part in the Bearcat market. They currently sell packages including a Bearcat hat, shirt and key chain enclosed. They also sell tattoos and long-sleeve shirts.

Aaron Merringer, manager of general merchandise, said they sold a lot of merchandise this past week.

"We sold a lot Thursday because everyone wanted to support the team for the big

game," Merringer said. "We'll be selling them all season and we'll order as much as we need to and when we get down to the bottom, we'll order more."

Wal-Mart is another store in town where people can get all of their Bearcat merchandise. Bearcat sandals, T-shirts, jackets, pants and sweatshirts are all available.

Manager Lonnie Scheffe said they sold enormous amounts of clothing.

"Overall, we pushed a lot of Northwest merchandise toward the front of the store and on Wednesday and Thursday we sold about 400 pieces in coats alone," Scheffe said. "We try to get a lot of merchandise for freshmen and parents and we ordered a lot for Homecoming."

Scheffe said Wal-Mart will continue to push the merchandise.



Northwest senior quarterback John McMenamin surveys the field through a wide-open hole. He got blocks from senior tackle Seth Wand and junior Raymond Fonoti. With clear line of sight all night, McMenamin threw for 313 yards.

# Game creates memories, fuels emotions for 'Cats

By CLARK GRELL  
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Emotions were running as high as possible Thursday night at the Clash of the Champions. They were emotions that every player and coach will not forget.

"It was the biggest game I've ever played in," senior wide receiver John Otte said. "Everyone was just excited."

It started Wednesday night. The Bearcats arrived at Arrowhead Stadium to get a feel for it. A walk through was to take place, but because of rain and cold temperatures, it was scrapped.

Thursday, the Bearcats and Gorillas went through their normal pregame warm-ups, like they do any other game. However, before the game began, the players were about to experience something they were not used to.

The players got the chance to walk out the tunnel on the south side of the stadium. The song "Sirius" by The Alan Parsons Project blared through the stadium as the players approached the field through the tunnel.

"That was the best part," sophomore wide receiver Jamaica Rector said. "Everybody was hyped and jumping up and down; we felt like we were in the NFL. We put that aside when we hit the field and it was kickoff time."

As the players ran onto the field, fireworks were showcased in the west end zone.

All of this took place in a matter of seconds.

"It gave me so many goose bumps, I mean it was nuts," junior fullback Sean Shafar said. "If you can't get hyped up for this, then you can't get hyped up at all."

Although the entrance onto the field was an emotional rush, it was the crowd that had the players in awe.

"I've never played in front of half that many people," Otte said. "It was a new experience and it was so loud we couldn't even hear our own signals."

Many Division II football players can say they have played in front of a large crowd, but not many of those large crowds have contained more than 26,000 fans.

"I can't even describe it," junior linebacker John Edmonds said. "Any time you get to play in front of under 10,000 people it's great, but 26,000 people—that's just amazing. It's something I'll never forget."

Throughout the night, it was the fans that made it seem like Arrowhead was sold out as cheers engulfed the stadium.

"We got great fans," senior wide receiver Mark Stewart said. "They were loud and it just made the experience that much better."

The noise created by fans made it difficult at times to hear the plays called in, something that neither Northwest at Rickenbrode Stadium or Pittsburg State at Carine Smith Stadium in Pittsburg, Kan., is used

to.

"Every once in awhile down on the field you'd have trouble getting your checks but that was expected," senior linebacker Adam Crowe said.

For many players, this was the game to showcase their skills. In front of 26,695 people, it was an opportunity to take advantage of.

However, Rector, who finished with a season high of nine catches for 143 yards, said it was a matter of getting to play at a NFL venue that made it a game to remember.

"I didn't want a huge game," Rector said. "I just wanted to play ball in the Chiefs' stadium, Arrowhead Stadium."

The memory of Thursday night's game is one that is buried in the minds of fans, coaches and players, but now it is time to set aside the memory and concentrate on the final stretch of the season.

"Our overall goal is to win the conference," Crowe said. "No doubt this was the biggest game yet, but we have more bigger games down the road."

No matter how the season ends, conference title or no conference title, players have a memory that will never be dampened.

"It's going to be a great memory," Stewart said. "I've been coming to Chiefs games as long as I can remember. My mom has had season tickets, so even to play on the field was awesome."

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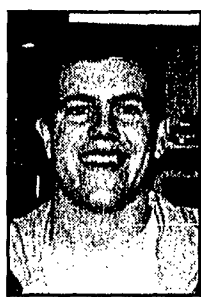
## Through the Uprights

# Security guard provides thrill for young writer

Late in the fourth quarter of Thursday's game when Northwest was beating Pittsburg State University, something incredible happened. It was not a spectacular play made by the Northwest football team, although they did have a lot of those, but it was what happened in between plays.

Out of nowhere, two students came running onto the field with orange signs and were chased by Arrowhead security guards. The first man went down without a problem, but the second man was a little harder to take down.

With a Barry Sanders-like move to avoid being tackled by one security guard, he thought he had it made. That was until he met the



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Just like a wide receiver making a catch in the middle of the field, the guard hit the guy so hard he didn't even know what day it was.

The crowd immediately let out a big "Oh that has to hurt"-type of sound.

That was by far one of the best things I have seen at a sporting event, besides the game itself. But it was shortly after the post-game interviews that my friends and I ran into the security guard himself.

He was actually parked right next to us and right as we were talking about the hit heard 'round the stadium, he cut in and informed us that he was the person who hit the guy who ran onto the field.

We all told him how great a hit that was, and he modestly said he

was just doing his job. And after joining us for a hamburger and a pop, he told us about his job.

He only makes \$50 per game but he said he doesn't do it for the money, he does it for moments like the one he had Thursday. He also told us that after he made the hit, coaches from Pitt State came up to him and said, "Hey you should come play for us because we haven't tackled a guy that hard all night."

He has been a security guard for 17 years, and while he worked a Chiefs game a couple of years ago, he put a similar hit on a fan, only it was in the rain.

Ironically enough, he played football for Northwest in the early '80s. However, he only played for a year due to injuries.

But Thursday night at Arrowhead he showed everyone just how hard he can hit.

We need more people like him, people who are not afraid to do the job right.

How else are people going to learn their lesson than by getting

clobbered by a security guard? I am not saying people should be hit with a nightstick if they run on the field, but they shouldn't just get a slap on the wrist for disrupting a sporting event.

I mean honestly, if a person is going to run onto a field, there are two reasons why they would do that: to impress friends or because they consumed too many adult beverages.

Both of those reasons are not legitimate and they need to be dealt with very seriously.

I congratulate the guard on his great hit; it is something that everyone at the game will not soon forget. Everyone, except for the person who took the hit of course.

He probably does not want to remember that moment.

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## Crowd Noise

■ *What do you think of the Arrowhead Stadium atmosphere?*

"I've never seen happier fans. I've seen nervous fans and fans who just seem like they are going through the routine, but never have I seen fans this happy. If the fans are this happy, imagine what the players feel like."

Kevin Keitzman - Sports Radio 810

"I've never been to a Northwest game, but if they are all like this it makes me wish my college had football."

Sandeep Hindapu - Northwest fan

"I love it. It's freaking awesome."

Adrian Jones - Northwest student

"It's miraculous how everything has come together and it's a lot of fun."

Dale Healy - Northwest player parent

■ *What did you think of the opening drive of the game, a nine-play, 80-yard touchdown drive?*

"It was an excellent way to start at Arrowhead."

Taylor Tholen - Northwest student

"I thought it was impressive and showed who was boss early."

Jimmy Stewart - Northwest student

■ *If Northwest had another chance to play in Arrowhead would you be for it?*

"I think it brings in more fans, if they played here every day, I'd be here."

Lori Jensen - Northwest student

■ *Who was your first half MVP?*

"Andy Cregar. I came all the way down from Des Moines (Iowa) to see him play."

Ryan Lindsey - Northwest fan

"Johnny Mac (John McMenamin). I've been drinking the whole time and he is doing really good."

Nick Wills - Northwest alum

■ *What was your favorite anti-Pitt State slogan?*

"It's 10:10 and Pitt still sucks."

Kyle Plackemeier - Maryville resident

■ *How far can Northwest go after the win Thursday?*

"If they can get by CMSU, they can get to the playoffs and win the MIAA. I think they can go all the way."

Ken Johnson - Northwest alum

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Oct. 5	at Washburn	7 pm
Oct. 12	Missouri Southern	1 pm
Oct. 17	Pittsburg State - Arrowhead Stadium - KC., Mo.	7:30 pm
Oct. 26	at Truman State	1 pm
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Nov. 9	at Missouri Western	1 pm
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